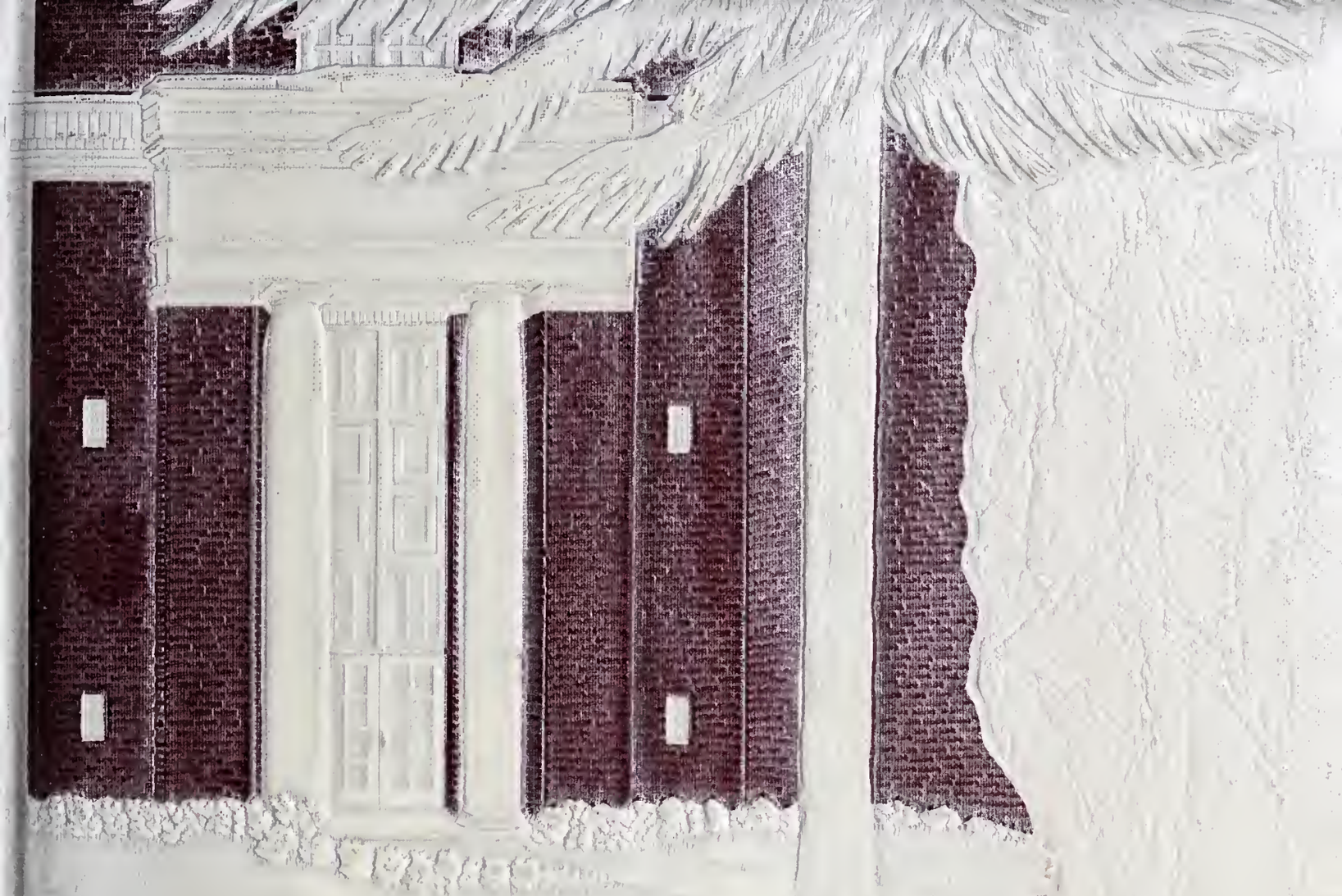

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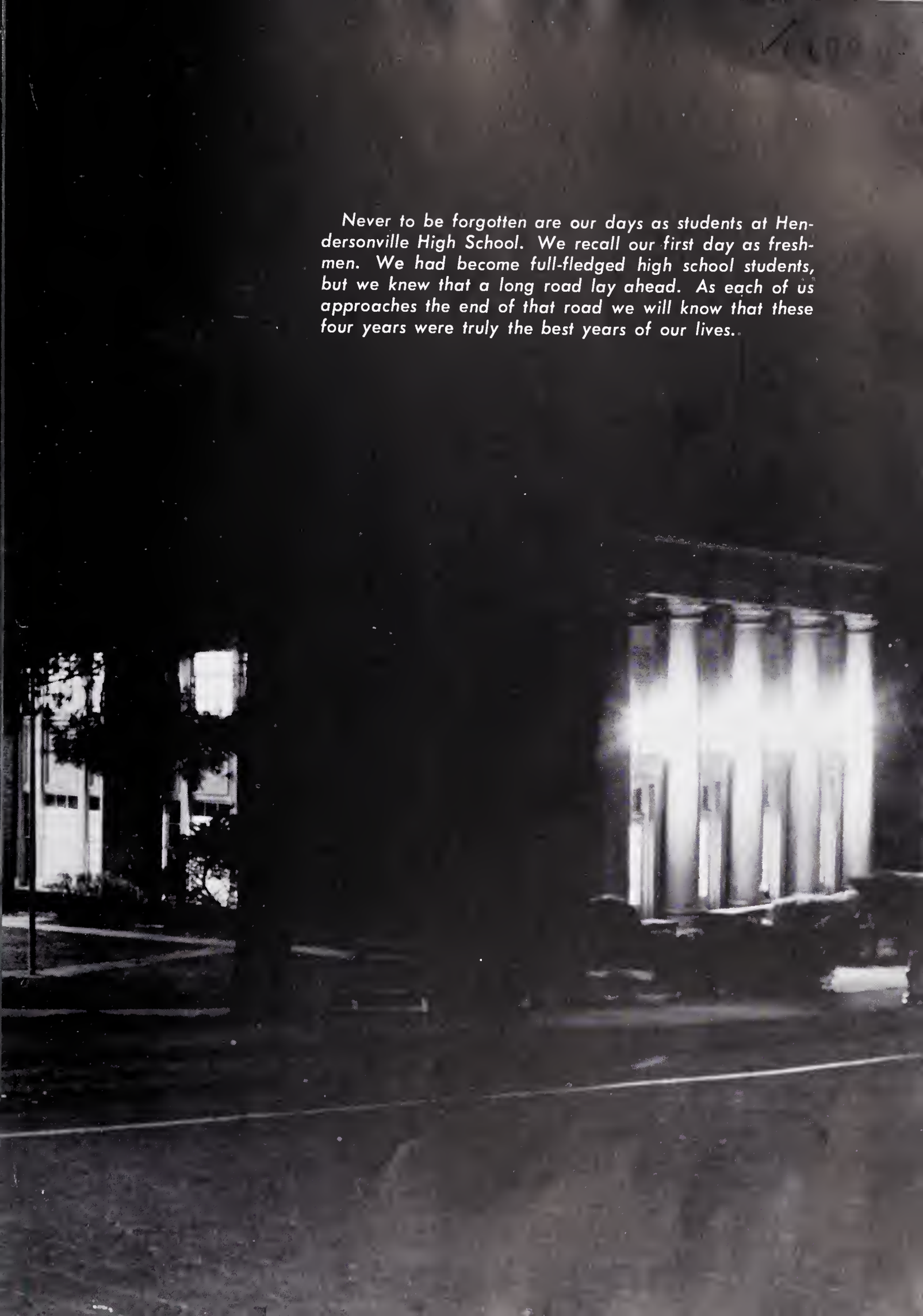
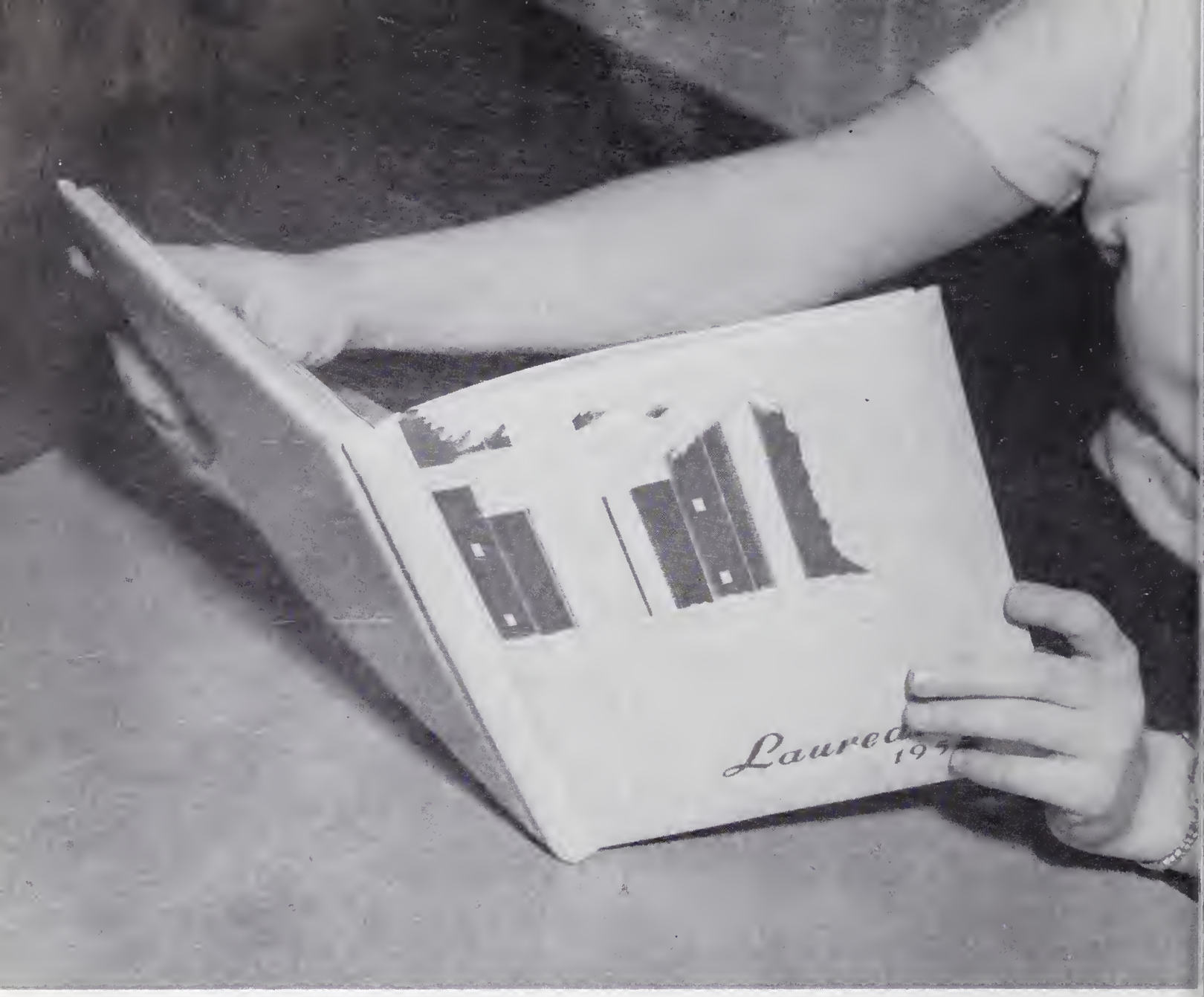
THE SENIOR CLASS

HENDERSONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Hendersonville, North Carolina

Never to be forgotten are our days as students at Hendersonville High School. We recall our first day as freshmen. We had become full-fledged high school students, but we knew that a long road lay ahead. As each of us approaches the end of that road we will know that these four years were truly the best years of our lives.





Foreword

In your hands you hold a year at Hendersonville High School. This LAUREATE portrays life as it was experienced at our school in 1955-56.

Each time you open this book we hope you relive this year. Hear the building come alive with the chatter of the students and see their bright faces as they greet their friends. Feel the loyalty of the fans for the Bearcats and revel in the many honors H. H. S. has received this year.

Let us take you by the hand and lead you on a memory tour of the past year at Hendersonville High School.

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Dedication

Four years ago we entered Hendersonville High School together. During this short time we have come to know Coach Bob Tate as more than a coach; we know him as a man who is admired and respected by both the faculty and the student body.

It has taken more than good luck to pilot the Bearcats to their ultimate success—1955; it has taken a coach who possesses not only a knowledge of football and the ability to impart it but also a sincere understanding of the men who play; it has taken Coach Tate.

In recognition of the honor that he has brought to Hendersonville High School, to his teams, and to himself, the 1956 LAUREATE staff proudly and sincerely dedicates this the ninth edition to COACH BOB TATE.

Administration

STAMEY F. BROOKS

Principal

HUGH D. RANDALL

Superintendent

Officials

City School Board

City School Board chairman, Bruce Drysdale (seated), board members Roy Johnson, James Sloan, Cal Kuykendall, and William Shepherd, and City School Superintendent Hugh D. Randall (standing) study plans for the proposed elementary school.

MRS. RUBY BROOKSHIRE

secretary to

MR. RANDALL

MRS. PAT FISHER

secretary to

MR. BROOKS

"Take a letter, please."

MRS. MARY LOUISE FAIN
English 10, French
Freshman Counselor

MRS. ELIZABETH H. PRICE
Latin, Psychology
Sophomore Counselor

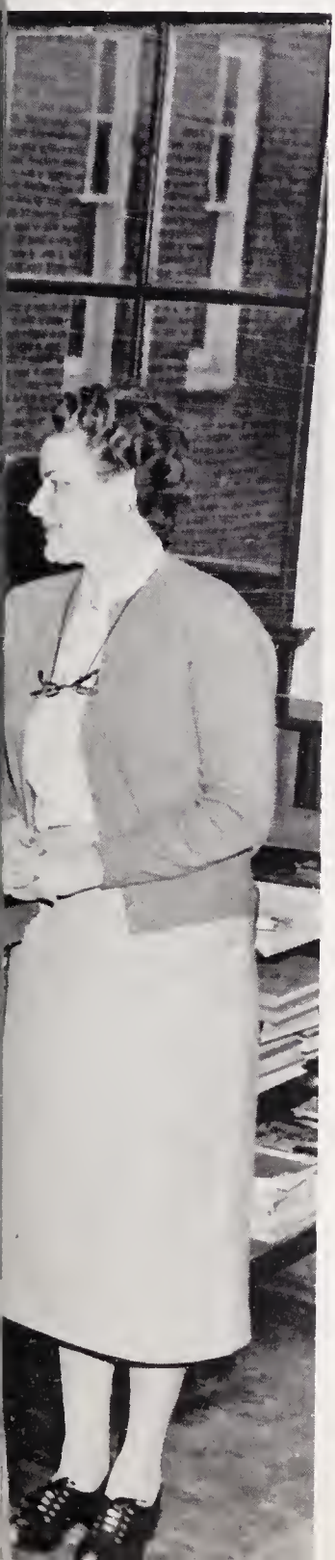
MRS. CECIL KESSLER
Librarian
Junior Counselor

MISS BARBARA PITTILLO
Social Sciences
Junior Counselor

MRS. CHICORA WESTMORELAND

English 12

Senior Counselor



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MRS. LUCILLE ALLEN

English 9, Dramatics

BOB TATE

Business, Coach

MISS EDITH ReMINE

Mathematics

MRS. CHRISTINE CROFT

English 11, Civics

HAROLD CLINE

Biology, Coach

MRS. REBECCA YGLESIAS

Spanish, English 10

MISS GERALDINE HENSLEY

Civics, Girl's Phys. Ed.

EARL MARTIN
Band, Chorus

HARRY SWOFFORD
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MISS CHARLOTTE TURNER
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Science

RALPH WIGGINS
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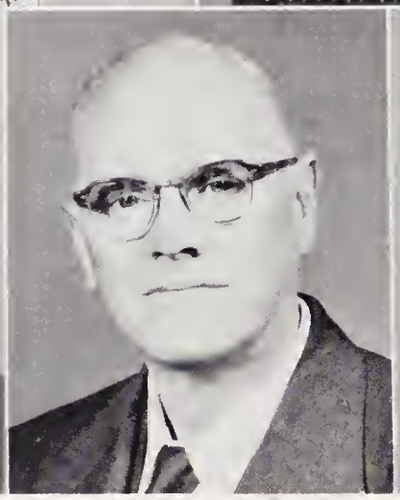

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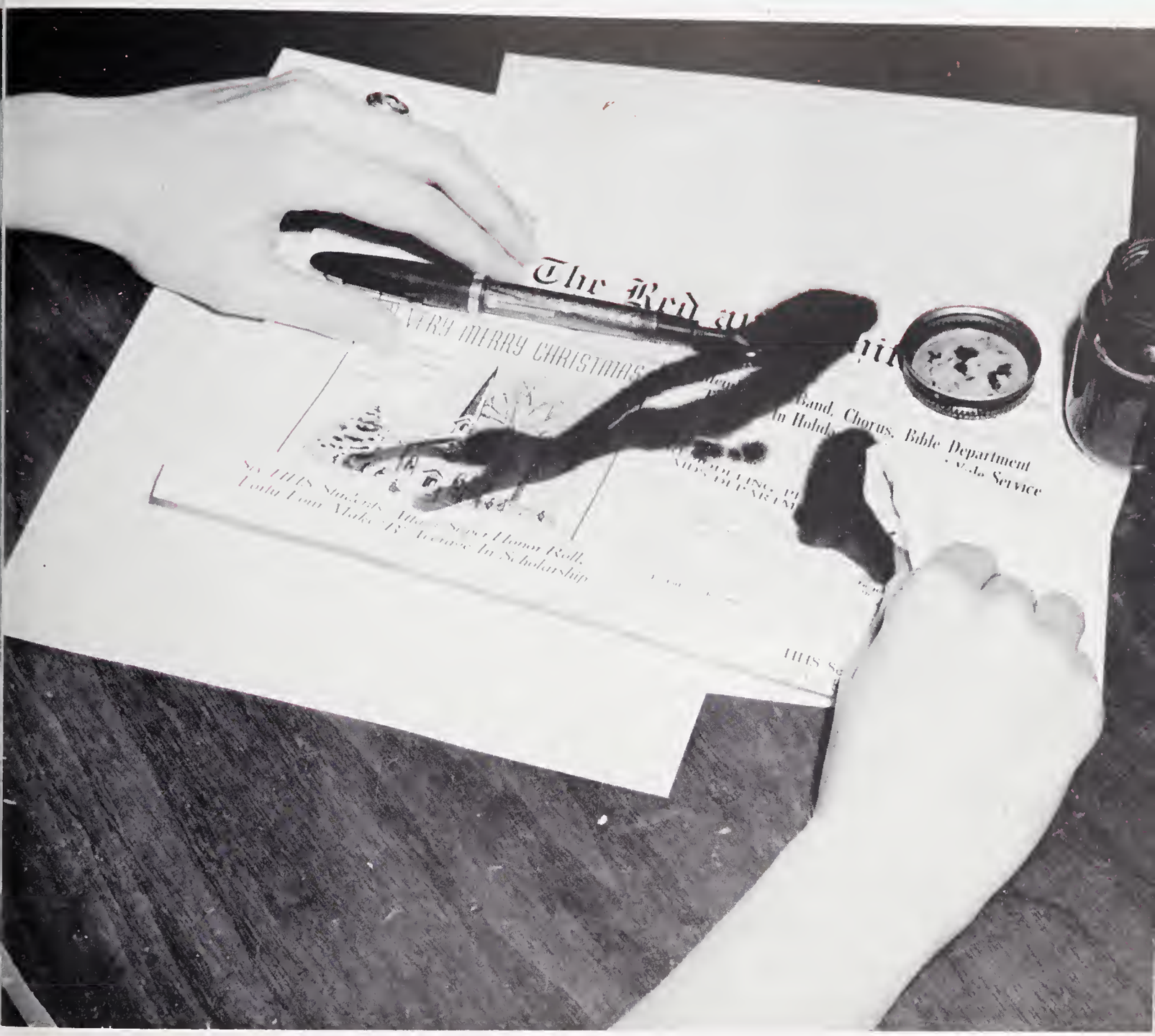
MRS. MARIE SHIPP
Bible



Classes

HANDS . . . *that are united by their loyalty to Hendersonville High School.*

Senior Class

President—RAYMOND SMITH
Vice president—T. D. HUNTER
Secretary—MARY BELL JOHNSON
Treasurer—ANNE ALEXANDER

What senior will ever forget his feeling when, with the first bars of "Hail to the Red and White," the student body rose, and in marched the Class of 1956?

For us as H. H. S. students, this has been a year of "lasts," some sad,, some not—the last football game, the last senior play, and soon the last assembly, the last final, the last senior English test, the last report card.

We can never forget our years at Hendersonville High. Even though we shall become its graduates May 30, it will remain a part of us because of our memories of the work we've done . . . the fun we've had . . . the trophies we've won . . . the honors we've earned . . .

With our graduation only days away, we are proud of our accomplishments. We have learned to subordinate our personal differences for the good of the group . . . We stand together now as a class—united by our loyalty to our school and our attempts to uphold its ideals—a class that will be remembered, we hope, with pride as the CLASS OF '56.

EVELYN ANNETTE ALEXANDER

A reversible Jock Horner with not only thumbs in o pie, but olso eight fingers in lots of octivities.

Homecoming Queen Candidate 1; F.H.A. 2; Class Treasurer 4; RED AND WHITE 3,4.

FRANCES LORRAINE BARNETTE

She joined us quietly, o welcome addition to our closs—like o gentle breeze, light ond free, seldom heard.

Tubman Junior High School. Civics Club 1; North Augusta High School. Glee Club 2; Library Club 2; H.H.S. Library Club 3,4; Honor Society 4.

JOYCE MARIE BARNWELL

A lough full of sunshine—yet oll is not colm—sprinkled here ond there ore little touches of whimsey—a noturol immunity to hurry ond worry of oll forms.

Service Club 1; Library Club 2; Bible Club 3; Latin Club 3.

FRANCES MARIE BARTON

Pert ond pixie—o strong personolity—destined to leod—either completely decided—or completely confused.

F.H.A. 2,3,4; Latin Club 2; RED AND WHITE 2,3,4; Commencement Marshal 3; Co-Editor, RED AND WHITE 4; Library Club 4; Honor Society 4; Best Looking Senior Girl 4.

Seniors

FLORIDE JEANETTE BLAIR

The charm of wide-eyed innocence—not ot oll minding thot she didn't cotch on to the jokes—loves life for herself ond odds greotly to life for others.

RED AND WHITE 1,2,3,4; Latin Club 2; F.H.A. 3,4; Co-Editor, RED AND WHITE 4; Student Cauncil 3; Commencement Marshal 3; Hanor Saciety 4; Senior Girl Most Likely to Succeed 4.

LOIS JEAN BLYTHE

"Why worry? It will hoppen onywoy,"—where there is mischief she is behind it—she thinks ond thinks—once in o while.

Outside Charus 1, Service Club 1; French Club 3; Library Club 3; Bible Club 3,4; Charus 4.

JAMES FRANKLIN BRINKLEY

Agile ond fragile—o stounch loyalty, o love of sports, in which he is successful—obility to get along with everyone.

Black Mountain High. Football 1; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; Student Council 1; H.H.S. Football 2,3,4; Soccer 2; Basketball 2,4; Baseball 2,4; Co-Captain Football 4; Friendliest Senior Boy 4.

BARBARA JANE BROWN

A "low-country" girl who likes the beoch—I love work—I could sit oll day ond look ot it—o clear fire, o cleon heorth, and rigour of the game.

Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2; Softball 2; F.H.A. 2; Spanish Club 3.

MARY ANN BROWN

Leaves the impression of loyalty—shows perseverance—with light blue eyes she looks around her for things to be done, and does them conscientiously.

Student Council 2; Latin Club 2; F.H.A. 2,3,4; Dramatics Club 2,3,4; RED AND WHITE 2,3,4; French Club 3,4; Commencement Marshal 3; National Honor Society 3,4; LAUREATE 4; Most Intellectual Girl in Senior Class 4.

HARLEY FURMAN CANTRELL

A smile for everyone, two for every girl—head the right way; then step on the gas—strong, silent type.

Football 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Key Club 4; Student Council 4; Spanish Club 3; Senior Boy Most Likely to Succeed 4.

CHARLES HERMAN CANTRELL

Never meets a stranger—known for his pleasant smile and easy manner—not to know him is a disadvantage to anyone—all-round wonderful guy.

Student Council 1; RED AND WHITE 3,4; LAUREATE 4; F.F.A. 4; Football 4; Key Club 3,4.

SARAH MAE CANTRELL

With gentleness—with sincere love for everyone—she smiles her way into your heart—amiable ways and natural friendliness make her at home wherever she goes.

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Bible Club 1,3; President, Bible Club 4; Latin Club 3; Point Board 3; Library Club 4.

Seniors

JERRY NEAL CHARLES

Known for his tall tales—loves to race anything on four wheels—a good disposition is the greatest of all possessions.

Football 1; Soccer 2; Senior Bay With Best Personality 4.

RUTHMARIE COMBS

A kittenish face—a slight tilt of the head before she speaks—mischievous imp with twinkling eyes, searching for fun.

Glee Club 1; Latin Club 2; Library Club 3,4; F.H.A. 4; Bible Club 4.

GLORIA MABLE CRISP

Everyone has a hobby—hers is sports—silence is the one great art of conversation—quiet, but not hard to talk to.

Softball 2; Basketball 3,4.

WILLIAM VIRGIL DAVIS

"Just call me Hom"—generous supply of freckles and boyish smiles—likes people—vice-versa—alien to studying, but gets good grades.

Baseball 2,3,4; Football 4; Basketball 4; D.O. Club 3.

CORA SUE DAVIS

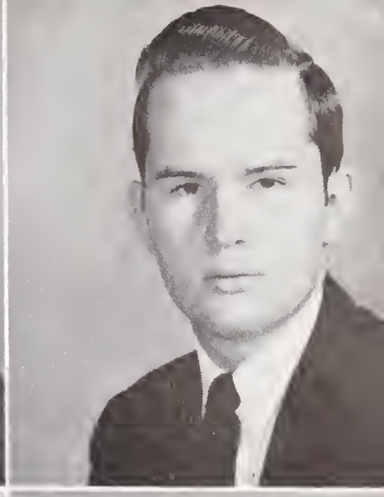
A girl with grown-up ambitions—she will achieve what she wants through her quiet, calm, poised nature.

Service Club 1; Bible Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 4.

JOHN WESLEY DeBLAKER, JR.

Always laughing and having a good time—fancy free—pleasing personality, congenial, considerate of others.

Saccer 1; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Library Club 3.



DONALD BLAIR DILLS

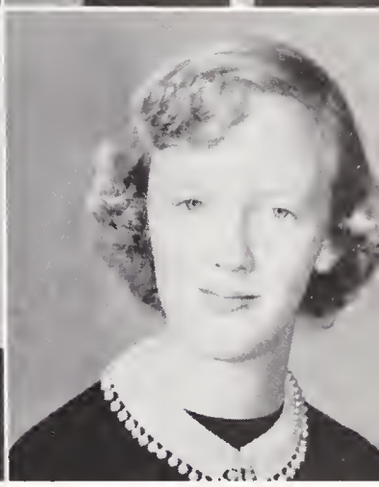
"Music is the world's sweetest joy, the greatest good that mortals know"—I'm not bashful; I just give others a chance—he speaks little, does much.

Latin Club 1,2; Baseball 1,2,4; Faatball 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4; Camero Club 4; Bible Club 4.

JOAN ADALINE ELLISON

She came to us quietly and unobtrusively three years ago—we will remember her sparkling eyes, her poised and gracious manner which has endeared her to everyone.

Grainger High Schaal, Kinston, N. C. Girls Glee Club 1,2; Dramatics Club 1,2; Science Club 1,2; Ki-Hi Staff 2; Allied Yauth 2; H.H.S. French Club 3; Library Club 4; Bible Club 4.



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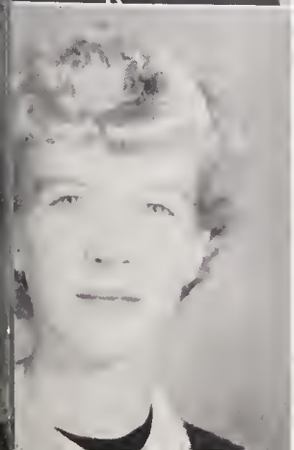

ROCHELLE LYNNE FEIN

A senior beauty—tall, thin, modelish good looks—quicksilver changes from dignity ta deviltry are her specialties—paised, charming, never a hair out of place.

Eou Claire, Wiscansin; Cheerleader 1; H.H.S. LAUREATE 4; Fire Cammittee 3,4; Library Club 4; Charus 2; Class Secretary 3; Spanish Club 2; F.H.A. 3,4; Best Dressed Seniar Girl 4.

MARY ALICE FETNER

We know when she is happy by her unchecked enthusiasm—lack of restraint coupled with an understanding heart has endeared her to us.

Band 1,2,3,4; Bible Club 1,2; Librarian 3,4; Spanish Club 4; F.H.A. 4.

GLORIA JANE FLOYD

She reminds us of champagne, always bubbling over—big blue eyes and a charming smile—a list of charms quite complete—we know it's Gloria.

Chorus 1,2; Stare Assistant 2; French Club 3,4; Bible Club 4.

MARTHA WEDDINGTON GAILLARD

The tireless worker of dawn, noan, and night—silent dependable, efficient—accomplishing all in the neat manner characteristic of her.

Bible Club 1,2,3,4; RED AND WHITE 3; Office Assistant 3,4; Sponish Club 3; Business Monoger, LAUREATE 4; Circulation Manager, RED AND WHITE 4.

SUSAN PATRICIA GRAY

A door opens and Patsy ambles into the room—tossing a strand of hair back from her face, she smiles with the same slow smile which meets every crisis.

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Dromotics Club 2,3,4; Bible Club 3,4; Library Club 3,4; LAUREATE 4.

LAURA JANE HAMMOND

A smiling face, a soft Southern drawl—her genial nature, her goodness and kindness glowing brightly illuminate the way to success.

Bond 1,2,3,4; Bible Club 3,4; F.H.A. 3,4; Lotin Club 3.

MARY ELLEN HAMMOND

Joined us in the midst of "Julius Caesor", a welcome addition to our class—life is full of bumps, and a sense of humor is a good shock absorber.

Greenville (N.C.) High School; Spanish Club 1; F.H.A. 1; Dromotics Club 1. Pensocalo (Flo.) High School; Spanish Club 2; Dromotics Club 2; H.H.S.; Dramotics Club 2; Bosketboll 1.

ANNE LANCASTER HARDIN

Her heorty laugh and clipped hair cut have remained unoltered—sometimes she studies very hard and speaks seriously, but most of the time she is carefree.

Librory Club 1,3,4; Dromotics Club 2,3,4; Lotin Club 3; Sponish Club 4; Service Club 1.

Seniors

WILLIAM LACY HARPER

Anything but quiet—never ogainst a good time—easy going, but anything for excitment—don't take life too seriously—you'll never get out of it alive.

Soccer 1; Bond 1,2,3.

MARTHA ROSE HART

Life for her is intense—she is either completely happy or utterly dejected; we find the smile even merrier for there is a sparkle on her finger to match the twinkle in her eyes.

Bosketball 1; Track Team 1,2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 2,3,4; Lotin Club 3; Natianol Honor Society 4; Bible Club 1; Office Assistont 4.

DONALD MAYO HEILIG

Nice looking—likes interesting people—blondes, brunettes, redheads—his determination and energy leave us marvelling while he dashes off to conquer new worlds and make new friends.

Faotboll 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Key Club 2,3,4; Honor Society 4; Class President 1; Trock 3,4; LAUREATE 4; Most Athletic Senior Boy.

THOMAS WADDELL HILL

President of student body—neat appearance—ambitious—one af the big wheels that makes the ruts us little wheels run in—forever a gentleman.

Basketboll 2,3; Key Club 3,4; Honor Society 3,4; Vice president, Student Body 3; President, Student Body 4; Commencement Morshol 3; Most Intellectual Senior Boy in Senior Closs.

VIVIAN JOAN HILL

A little figure—a blend af charm and sparkle—an claser view you will see a pretty face with an almast devilish smile.

F.H.A. 1,2; Chorus 3,4; Spanish Club 4.

SHARON JEAN HOYT

Likes going ploces and having a gaad time—a winsame smile that neve- meets an enemy—o smile warmed by its awn sincerity.

Glee Club 1; Latin Club 2; F.H.A. 2,3,4; Class Treasurer 3; Commencement Marshal 3; Student Body Treasurer 4; Bible Club 4; LAUREATE 4.

THOMAS DUNLAP HUNTER III

Does wonders for a footboll unifarm—doesn't let studying interfere with his educatian—busy thinking new thaughts—finding something secretly amusing. T.D. is never taa busy ta be your pol.

Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Class President 2; Class Vice president 1; Class Vice president 4; Key Club 3,4; Captain, Football Team 4; Most Popular Senior Bay 4.

BARBARA LORETTA HYDER

Pencil poised, thinking quietly of what she wishes ta say next, hostily writes it down—whatever she daes she remains essentially the same—goad friend and companian.

Latin Club 2; F.H.A. 3,4; RED AND WHITE 3,4; Office Assistant 3,4; Library Club 4; Secretary, Student Cauncil 4; Honar Society 4.

Seniors

JESSE RAYMOND IRVING

His love far art is a daminant trait—with his point brush he shows his willingness ta try the new, the intriguing.

Chess Club 3; LAUREATE 4; Bible Club 4.

MARY BELL JOHNSON

Her life is filled with the grins af her friends, mirraring her own sunny smile—and what a smile that is!

Basketball 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 2; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Class Treasurer 2; Class Secretary 4; RED AND WHITE 3,4; Most Happy-Go-Lucky Senior Girl 4.

REBECCA ELLEN JOHNSON

A typical Sauthern Belle—unsuspecting and unassuming—with oppealing child-like naivete—canstantly in a whirlwind af excitement.

Chorus 1,4; RED AND WHITE 1,2,3,4; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Latin Club 2; Assembly Pianist 2,3,4; Seniar Girl with the Best Personality 4.

CAROLYN PATRICIA JONES

Here is Caralyn whase spantaneaus and irresistible laughter immediately puts us in a gay moad—eyes twinkling and pert nose set off her almast macking smile.

Cheerleader 4; Library Club 3,4; Student Council 4; Dramatics Club 2,3; F.H.A. 3; Store Assistant 2; Latin Club 2; Honor Society 4; Wittiest Senior Girl 4.

DOROTHY JUNE JONES

Sophisticated, serious yet humorous, her personolity combines those elements we hold ideol—a fun loving gal with energy plus.

Plant High School, Florida; Art Club 1; Chorus 1; Drill Team 2; Y-Teens 2; H.H.S.; Bible Club 4.

DOUGLAS RAY JONES

Clothes thot have thot "Esquire" look—either finds a way or makes one—eyes that speak a million words without blinking an eye lash.

Faatball 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Library Club 4; Vice president, Hameroom 1; Vice president, Homeraam 4; Best Dressed Senior Bay 4.

MARY KATHLEEN JONES

A rooring car screeches to a holt and out she jumps—in this petite figure lies boundless energy—which keeps her busy.

Service Club 1; F.H.A. 2; Saft Ball 2; Basketball 3,4; Bible Club 4.

JERRY THOMAS JUSTUS

Sporty—wovy brown hair—vast repertoire of jokes, funny and otherwise—monkeys and crazy people hove the most fun—interesting blue eyes.

Band 1,2; Dramatics Club 1,2,3,4; Honor Society 3,4; Latin Club 3; Commencement Marshal 3; Class President 3, Wittiest Senior Boy 4.

Seniors

ERNEST KARL KALTENBACH

Not overly interested in some subjects—good worker but likes to hove his fun too—as a friend he is unsurpossed.

Band 1,2,3; Bible Club 4.

ALLINE YVONNE LEDBETTER

Unlimited versatility—with lightning speed she flashes across the basketboll court leaving an impression of cleon cut clearness.

Student Council Representative 1; Basketball 1,2,3,4; President, Homeroom 4; Most Athletic Seniar Girl 4.

HARRIETTE UPTON LENTZ

Can be counted on to do her shore and a little bit more—to be the life of the party, wherever she may be.

F.H.A. 1,2,4; Library Club 3,4; Bible Club 4.

WILLIAM DELEFAYETTE LINDSEY, JR.

An outward reserve—slow but steady, never hurried and never worried—a truer friend will never be found.

Basketball 1; Soccer 2; RED AND WHITE 3.

RONALD JOSEPH MALONEY

Found behind a drawing board—brushes and water colors surrounding him—to him every scene has elements of beauty to be captured an canvas.

Dramatics Club 2,3,4; French Club 3; Latin Club 3; Class Vice president 3; RED AND WHITE 2,3,4; Majar Dramatics Presentatian 3; Assistant Manager, Magazine Drive 4.

ROBERT LEWIS MANEY

A commendable band member—a smile for everyone—friends by the dozens—easy to know and get along with.

Band 1,2,3,4; Band Cauncil 3,4; All-State Band 3,4.

JOE ANN MARCHION

Very quiet but gets around—watch her drive by, waving a hand out of the car window—firmly believes that dog is man's best friend.

Library Assistant 2; Latin Club 2; RED AND WHITE 2,3,4; Bible Club 3,4; F.H.A. 4.

BRENDA LEE MAST

Always smiling and sewing—a capacity for warm friendship, a true sincerity blend into the special charm that is Brenda's.

Drexel High Schaal. Band 2; Glee Club 2; F.H.A. 2; H.H.S. Dramatics Club 1; F.H.A. 3,4; Library Club 1,4; Spanish Club 4.

Seniors

FRANCES JANE MAXWELL

Quiet and unruffled—took high school in her stride—proves the old "red hair - hot temper" ratio false indeed—a capable person and a cooperative one.

Vice president, Hameraam 1; F.H.A. 1,3,4; Bible Club 2,3; Latin Club 3; RED AND WHITE 4.

JEANNIE HAFNER McDONALD

Thinks she is going to fail, but turns up with an A or B—watching activities with her head tilted in interest—leaves the ideo of alertness.

Class Vice president 2; F.H.A. 1,2; Cheerleader 2,3,4; Library Club 3,4; Student Cauncil 4; Honar Saciety 4; Spanish Club 4; LAUREATE 4; Manager, Magazine Drive 4; Best All-Araund Seniar Girl 4.

FRANCES HILL McGRAW

A lucky one in our class—already has her man—postponed her new career as housewife to return and finish with us.

Bible Club 3,4; Office Assistant 3,4; Basketball 4.

JULIA JANET McMURRAY

Smiling always, with a never fading serenity of countenance—like the frosting on cake, this lends the needed spice to make her an outstanding friend.

Service Club 1; F.H.A. 4.

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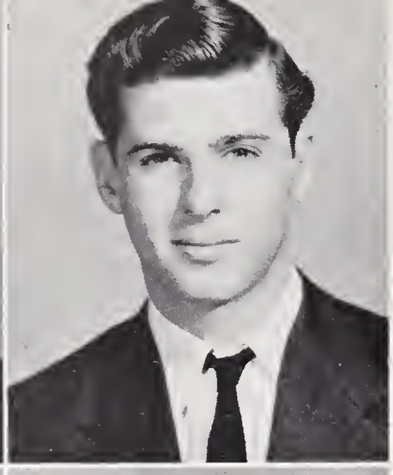


ALVA JOYCE MEHAFFEY

A member of our "engoged ond lovely" set—silence is broken by the clotter of o typewriter—Joyce is on incomporoble personolity.

Lotin Club 2; Bible Club 3,4; Dramatics Club 2,3,4; RED AND WHITE 3,4; Office Assistont 4.

MICHAEL FRANKLIN MORGAN

Quiet oppeoronce—o foke—gentle noture hidden behind o fighting exterior—life is for fun—work is for others—o greoter pol you'll never find.

Football 1,2,3; Co-Captain, Soccer 2; Dramatics Club 3,4; Major Dramo Production 3,4; Track 2,3; Golf 2; Best-Looking Senior Boy 4.

NORMA ANN MORGAN

Fond of on orgument—sews beoutifully—friendliness is the keynote of o good personolity.

South (Knoxville, Tenn.) High School. F.H.A. 2; Library Club 2; Basketball 2; H.H.S. Chorus 1; Service Club 1; F.H.A. 3,4; Bible Club 4.

JAMES THAD PACE

Full of vim ond vigor though it doesn't olwoys show—out-of-doors type—hord worker—speoks, when spoken to—quiet of oppeoronce with motives little known.

Thomas Jefferson (Vo.) High School. Football 1; Basketball 1; Baseball 1; H.H.S. Soccer 2; Dramatics Club 3,4.

Seniors

MARY ELLEN PAGE

A likeoble personolity ond o friendly monner—future—to be o wife—to roise o football teom—we quote "Where there's a will, there's o woy."

Chorus 1; Service Club 1; Spanish Club 2; Bosketball 3; RED AND WHITE 4; Bible Club 4.

ROSE MARIE PASTORE

A smile thot cheers even on o roiny Mondoy—possessing o down-to-eorth mind full of plons ond procticol ideos.

Bergenfield (N. J.) High School. French Club 1; Glee Club 1,2; Majorette 1; Inman (S. C.) High School. THE PURPLE FLASH 2; Basketball 2; H.H.S. Chorus 3,4; LAUREATE 4; Dramatics Club 4; Bible Club 4; F.H.A. 4.

RICHARD FOSTER PEARSON

Alwoys genuinely interested in whot you hove to soy—loves to blush—his sense of humor hos won him mony friends in a very short time.

Melrose (Mass.) High School. Track 1,2,3; Cross Country Running 1,2; Tennis 2.

JOE RICHARD POOLE

Only once to ony high school comes such on individuol—tolkotive, hoppy, tolkotive, populor, tolkotive—rocking choir sports expert.

Secretory-Treosurer, Closs 1; Student Council 1,2; Cheerleader 2; Vice president, Homeroom 1; Most Happy-Go-Lucky Senior Boy 4.

MARY HELEN POTEET

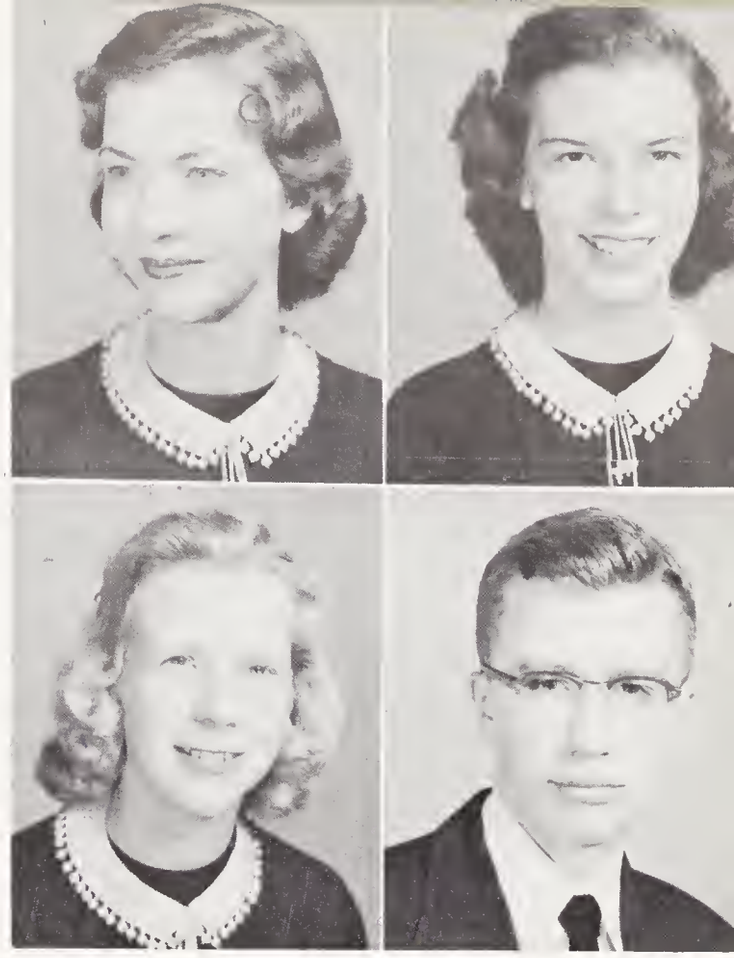
So many talents crowded into one girl that they spill over and pour forth for everyone's enjoyment—a constant friendliness.

Service Club 1; F.H.A. 3,4; Bible Club 4; Chorus 2,4; Secretary, Homeroom 4; Dromotics Club 4.

SUSAN ANN PRICE

Shrieks of enthusiasm filled the halls—merry eyes crinkled and a little giggle escaped in spite of all that could be done to repress it—unaffected and candid.

Service Club 1; Bible Club 2,4; Bond 3; Outside Chorus 2; F.H.A. 4.



JENNIE BETH PROCTOR

Possessing a quiet, easy manner—tendencies to boyish mischief—resembling a Christmas angel—shining blonde hair—glowing eyes.

Service Club 1; F.H.A. 2,4; Bible Club 2,3,4.

MANNING WILLIAM PUETTE

A friendly sort of fellow—a real joker—if silence is golden, I'll be poor all my life—it's silly to think—let's talk—the best is yet to come.

Service Club 1; Soccer 2; Sponish Club 3; Key Club 3,4; LAUREATE 4; Librory Club 4.

Seniors

JOAN BARNWELL REID

She remained the same, even though she changed her name—hers is a serenity that is contagious—few possess such calmness—an enviable trait.

Bible Club 3,4; Service Club 2; F.H.A. 4.

ADDIE MARIE RHODES

A serene outward appearance of unhurried leisure—a soft voice—a soft smile—inward conscientiousness.

Spanish Club 4; Bible Club 4.

PEGGY MARIE ROBERTSON

Never wears make-up—naturally beautiful—gay, unassuming—with a ready laugh and a constant good nature.

Homestead, Florida. Basketball 1; Soft Boll 1; Valentine Queen Candidate 1; H.H.S. Library Club 3,4.

FRED WILBURN ROPER

Hats off to Fred, the chief of our book—conscientiousness seen in efforts to achieve his goals—usual success—a French way.

Editor, LAUREATE 4; RED AND WHITE 1,2,3,4; Honor Society 3,4; Student Council 3; Commencement Morshol 3; Dromotics Club 2,3,4; French Club 3,4; Key Club 4; Office Assistant 3,4; Most Dependoble Senior Boy 4.

ELIZABETH JOBANNA SCOTT

A person whose presence is sensed and whose absence is sharply felt—entering a room she wraps everyone there in her own serenity.

RED AND WHITE 1,2,3,4; LAUREATE 4; French Club 3; Student Council 3,4; Honor Society 3,4; Commencement Marshal 3; Dramatics Club 3,4; Library Club 4; Most Dependable Girl in Senior Class 4.

CAROL LOUISE SEVERY

Like a glass of gingerale, she bubbled into H.H.S.—the quaintness of a child delighted with life—delighting everyone in turn with her own happiness.

Central High School, Chattanooga, Tenn. Spanish Club 2; Girls' Hi-Y 2; Pensacola, Fla. High School—Dramatics Club 3; H.H.S.—Dramatics Club 4; Friendliest Senior Girl 4.

HELEN LOUISE SHIPMAN

Never missed a football game—stronge ability for going through school without a care in the world and hardly opening a book.

Basketball 1; Intramural Sports 2; F.H.A. 2; Service Club 2; RED AND WHITE 3,4; Spanish Club 4.

CHARLES RAYMOND SMITH, JR.

"The world is so full of a number of things"—and he can do them all—handled the senior class so efficiently, participoted in so many activities—you figure it out.

Basketball 1; Faatball 2,3,4, Student Council 2,3,4; Key Club 3,4; Class President 4; Spanish Club 3; LAUREATE 4; Best All-Around Seniar Boy 4.

Seniors

HELEN BOND SMYTH

A deadpan face—a raised eyebrow—a timely remark—the most seriaus people are set to chuckling—enthusiasm is her ticket to success.

Brenau Academy, Gainesville, Ga. Spanish Club 2; Glee Club 2. H.H.S.—F.H.A. 1; Cheerleader 2,4; Spanish Club 3,4; Chorus 3; Dramatics Club 4; Most Papular Seniar Girl 4.

PATRICIA ANN SNYDER

We remember her as kind and sweet—another side of her nature is the mischievaus smile that often creeps into her eyes and twinkles there.

Latin Club 2; Library Club 3,4; Service Club 1; F.H.A. 4.

VIRGINIA ANN STATON

A contagious laugh—a gracious smile—that's our Ann—unforgettable shrieks of laughter.

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Dramatics Club 3,4; Library Club 3,4; Camera Club 3,4; Spanish Club 4.

JAMES ALBERT STRANGE, JR.

Studying is against his rules—mixes pleasure with work—loves an argument—just a good "ole" pal.

Football 1,2,3,4; Soccer 2; Baseball 2,4; Spanish Club 4; Band 2.

DIXIE JEAN TAYLOR

Her voice is soft, gentle, ond low—seems so quiet, so wise ond still, until we see the twinkle in her eye—there's music in the air—there's Dixie.

Bible Club 1,2,3,4; Outside Chorus 1; Chorus 3,4; F.H.A. 4; Latin Club 3.

VIRGINIA ELIZABETH THOMPSON

You'll never see her when she's not confused obout something—either she's forgotten something, hos lost something, or is worrying obout something.

Bible Club 1,2,3,4; Lotin Club 2; Chorus 2; Camera Club 3,4; F.H.A. 4; Dramatics Club 3,4.

MARY FRANCES TILLMAN

Generous, light-heorted, ond kind—the hoppiest of humons—good-looking boys con do wonders for me.

Delray Beach (Florido) High School. F.H.A. 1; Student Council 1,2; Sponish Club 1,2; Glee Club 1; Cheerleoder 3,4.

MARGARET GLYNN TIMMERMAN

A mellow voice—subtle woys—hidden determinotion—speoks her mind in the most definite woy.

Gretna (Va.) High School. Music Club 1; H.H.S. French Club 2; Glee Club 2,3; Library Club 3.

Seniors

DOREEN LORETTA VELDHOUSE

Joined us o bit lote with her vivociousness ond worm lough—her wit ond chorms hold us, our own lives ore richer for her compony.

Clorion (Iowo) High School. Glee Club 1,2,3; F.H.A. 2,3; Basketball 2,3; H.H.S. Bible Club 4; F.H.A. 4.

BETTY JANE WATERS

Never on unkind word, never a bad deed—sincere, honest—would do onything she could for anyone who needed her.

Service Club 1; Bible 1,4; F.H.A. 2,3,4; Chorus 1; Library Club 4.

CATHERINE HELENE WYMAN

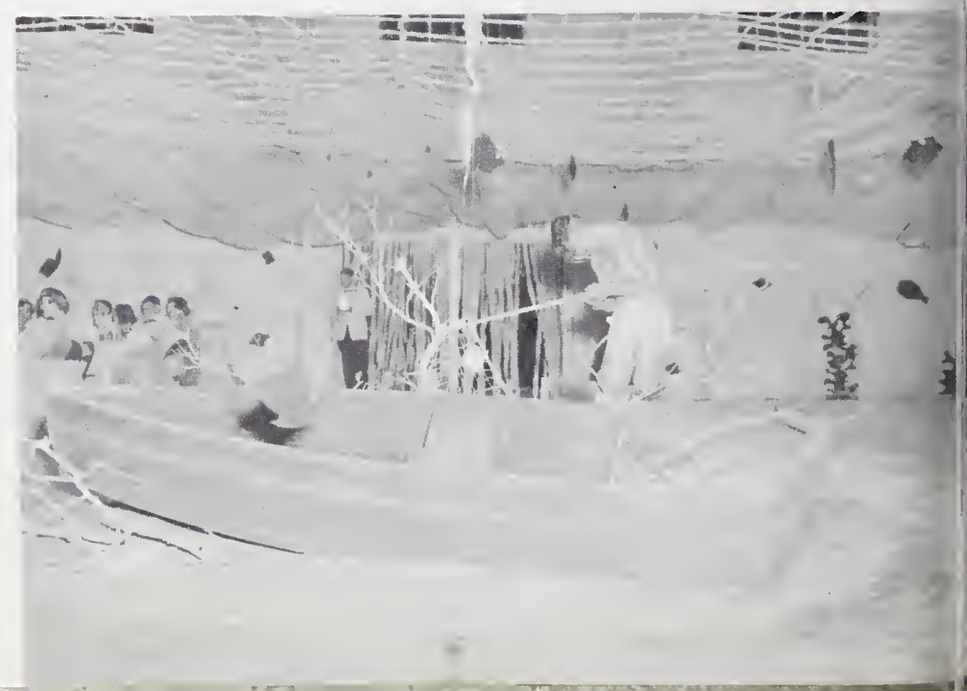
Integrity is written on the face ond shines in the eyes of one who strives and succeeds—brilliant mind earned o reputation worthy of note—we wotched and envied; we remember, odmire.

Wakefield (Mass.) High School. French Club 2,3; Sponish Club 3; Library Club 1,2,3; Honor Society 1,2,3; H.H.S. Dramatics Club 4; Spanish Club 4.

ROBERT WILLIAMSON ZERFOSS

Soys so much by soying so little—his cor is o cherished possession—olwoys willing to do his shore—o real friend to those close.

Dramatics Club 2,4; Bible Club 1,4; LAUREATE 4; Chorus 4; Band Manager 4.



1955 Junior-Senior

Under the Blue Lagoon

May 13, 1955

Honor Students

THOMAS WADDELL HILL

Valedictorian

MARY ANN BROWN

Salutatorian

"SAY IT ISN'T SO, SENIORS!"

1. Helen Shipman
2. Tommy Hill
3. Jobanna Scott
4. Martha Rose Hart
5. Frances Barton
6. Richard Pearson
7. Bob Zerfoss
8. Becky Johnson
9. Fred Roper
10. Betty Case
11. T. D. Hunter
12. Joe Poole
13. Jeannie McDonald
14. Donnie Heilig

"SAY IT ISN'T SO, SENIORS!"

15. Jeanette Blair
16. Joyce Barnwell
17. Patsy Gray
18. Rose Pastore
19. Shelley Fein
20. Ann Snyder
21. Helen Smyth
22. Norma Morgan
23. Doug Jones
24. Ronnie Maloney
25. Carolyn Jones
26. Herman & Furman Cantrell
27. Happy Lentz
28. Raymond Smith

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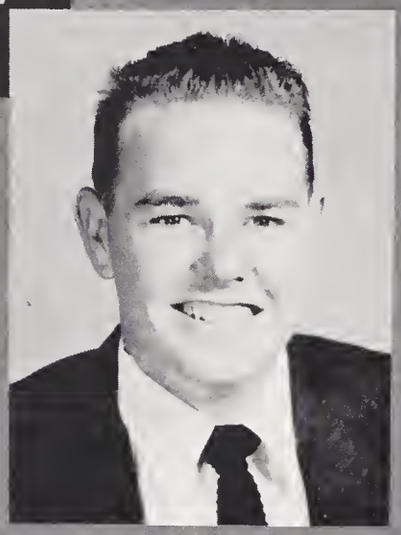


MARTHA GAILLARD

Business

JERRY MANEY

Band

BILL DAVIS

Shop

JOBANNA SCOTT

Mathematics

JEANETTE BLAIR

English

FAME

LOIS JEAN BLYTHE

Bible

HERMAN CANTRELL

Agriculture

TOMMY HILL

Science

CATHERINE WYMAN

Spanish

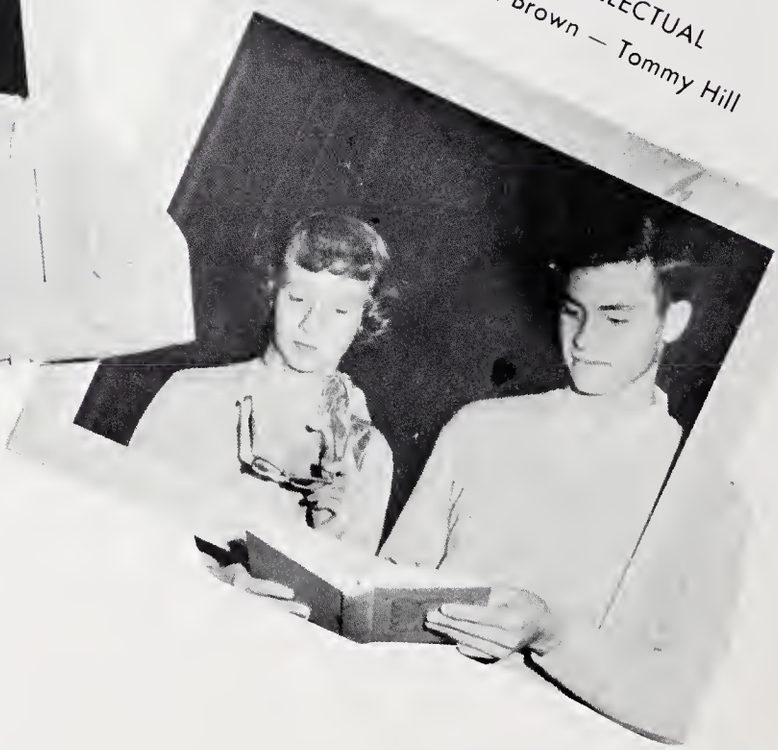
MARTHA ROSE HART

Home Economics

BEST LOOKING
Frances Barton — Michael Morgan

MOST POPULAR
T. D. Hunter — Helen Smyth

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED
Jeanette Blair — Furman Cantrell



MOST INTELLECTUAL
Mary Ann Brown — Tommy Hill

Senior

MOST HAPPY-GO-LUCKY
Joe Poole — Mary Bell Johnson

BEST ALL-ROUND
Raymon Smith — Jeannie McDonald

BEST DRESSED
Doug Jones — Shelley Fein

FRIENDLIEST
Carol Severy — Jimmy Brinkley

Superlatives

MOST DEPENDABLE
Jobanna Scott — Fred Roper

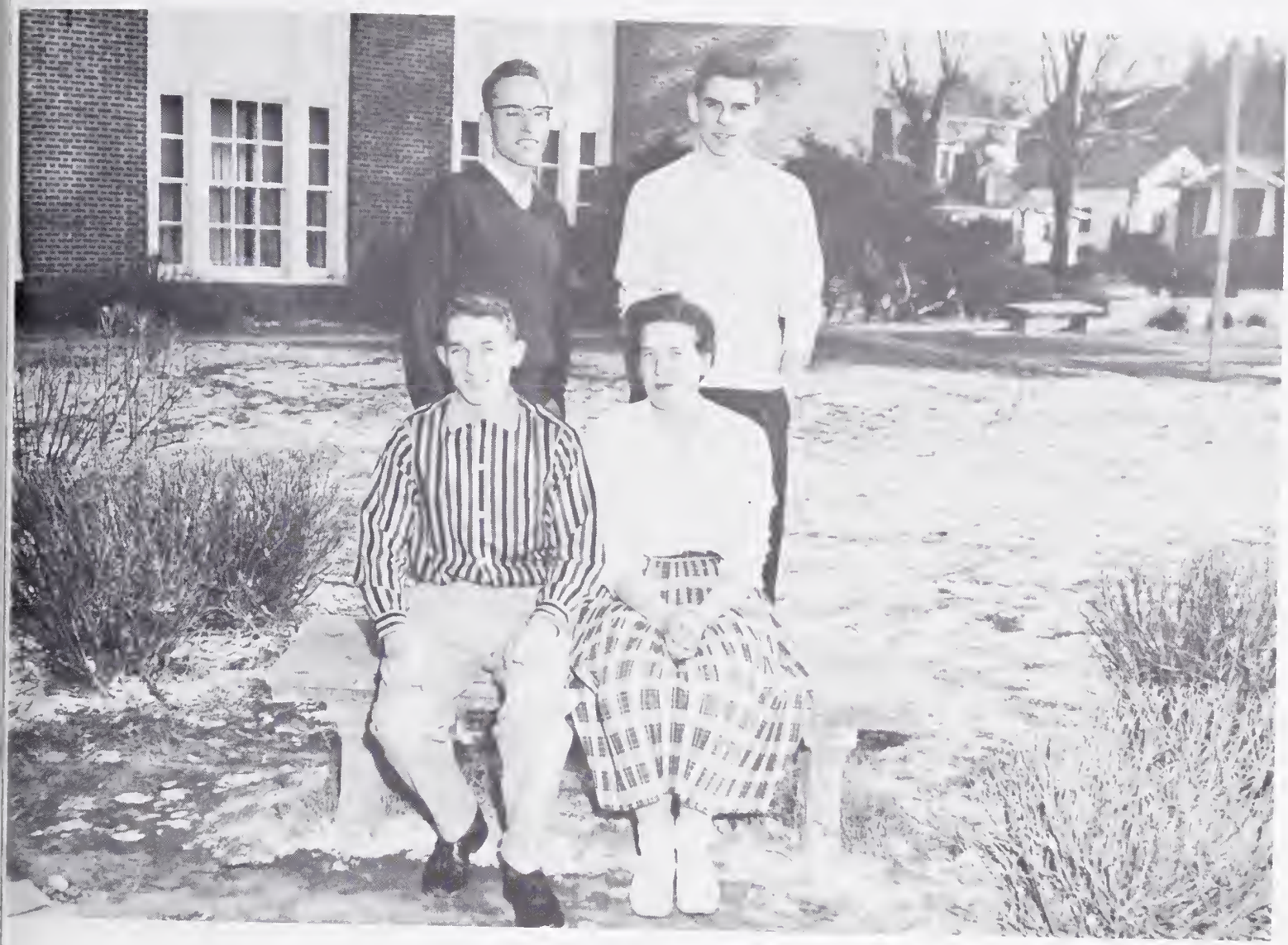
MOST ATHLETIC
Alline Ledbetter — Donnie Heilig

Senior Superlatives

WITTIEST
Jerry Justus — Carolyn Jones

BEST PERSONALITY
Becky Johnson — Jerry Charles

Junior Class



President—TOMMY ORR
Vice president—LOWELL GETTMAN
Secretary—JULIA LEE
Treasurer—LARRY LYDA

With the arrival of September 1, 1955, our senior year and graduation seemed very distant. We were looking forward to a leisurely two years with plenty of time for everything that goes with being upperclassmen.

The Junior-Senior loomed as the first item of major importance on our two-year calendar. From the beginning of the year, whenever you found a group of juniors, you were likely to find talk of the big event. A large part of our time and energy, along with lost hours of sleep and broken fingernails, has gone into plans for our presentation to the seniors. Now the long-awaited night is drawing nigh, and we are putting the final touches to our masterpiece.

While memories of the Junior-Senior are still fresh, the second big date on our calendar will arrive. Move-up Assembly will be a stand-out date for us as May 30 we will find ourselves in the position we have envied for years—we will be the seniors. The first of our "leisurely" two years as upperclassmen is flying by for the CLASS OF '57.

"Check those grins!"

Juniors

Earl Barnett

Alice Beckham

Pat Bennett

Ted Bowden

Tommy Brittain

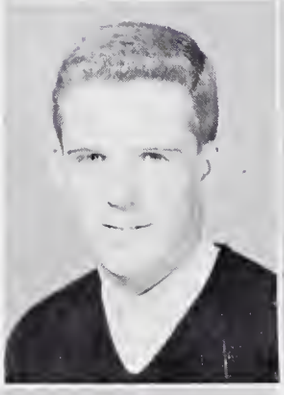
Carol Ann Brown

Mack Bryant

Gibson Campbell

Jesse Cobb

Bobby Cornman



Hester Davis

Janice Dellinger

Robert Dixon

Robert Elliott

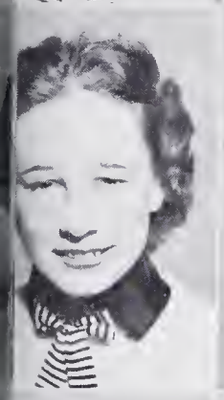
Margaret Evans

Lowell Gettman

Juniors

Lani Graves

Anna Green



Sally Griffin

Bill Hamilton

"Hey, fellows, I don't fit!"

Ramona Hansman

Barbara Harris

Carver Hill

Charlotte Hoyer

Judy Hudgens

Gail Hyder

Janet Jackson

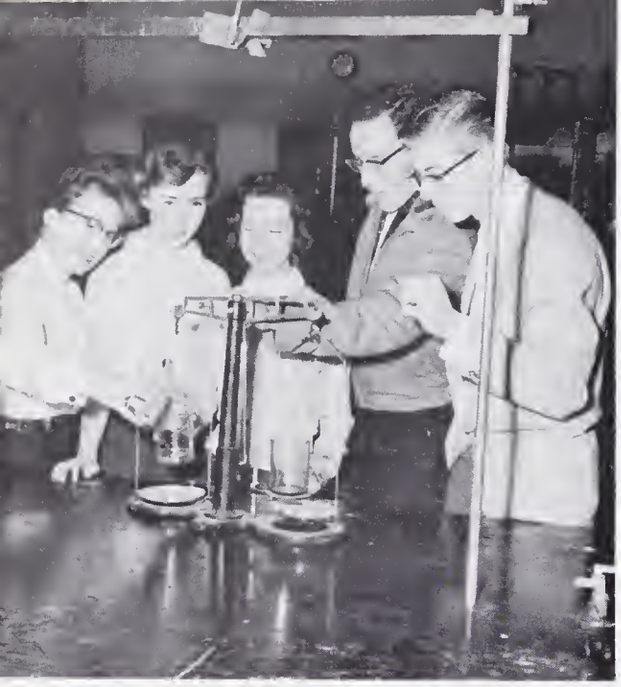
Clarence Johnson

Judy King

Beverly Kling

Johnny Laughter

Julia Lee



"Watch out for those flying bodies! What flying . . . Bam!!★&#*!†!"*

Juniors

Cornelia Lindsey

Knox Lovingood

Larry Lyda

Parker Lyda

Douglas Maxwell

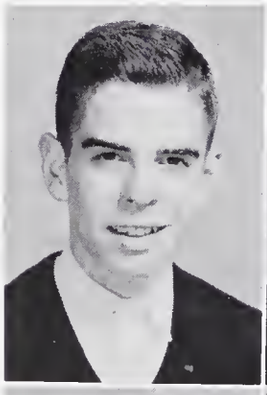
Doyle Mintz

Jimmy Neill

Nelson Norwood

Betty Orr

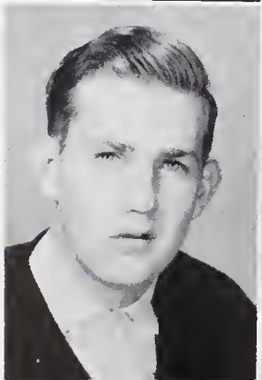
Irene Orr



Tommy Orr

Larry Peeler

Barbara Penland



Earl Pettit

Marie Rathburn

Nancy Reep

Juniors

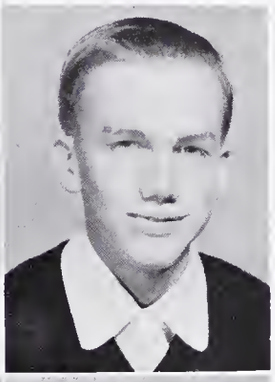
Gloria Reese

Joyce Rhodes

Wendell Rogers

Ina Royall

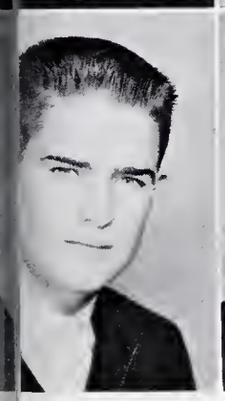
"What? No body?"



Mike Sinclair

Sandra Royall

Racky Smith



Charles Sproles

Dick Starnes

Pattie Sumner

Johnny Toomer

Kenneth Waters

Gary Westall

DeLois Williams

Charles Worsham

Marilyn Wynn

Sophomore Class

President—RONNY MILLER
Vice president—BOYCE MAXWELL
Secretary—BETTY STOKES
Treasurer—KAY WALLER

We entered our sophomore year thoroughly acquainted with H. H. S.—its classes, its teachers, its activities. The newness had worn off, and we were ready to make these the "best years of our lives." Our chief goal as sophomores has been to have fun, and fun we have had!

We were delighted to see the awed faces of the new freshmen on the first day of school and were thrilled to move into the center section of seats in the auditorium. With the first football game we put our vocal chords into good use cheering the Bearcats on to victory; especially loud have been our yells for our own sophomore stars. We began studying plane geometry and biology. We have had quite a time with "pairs of compasses" and "pup-in-de-coolers," and even the dreaded event of dissecting worms turned out to be a riot.

We have been so busy laughing that time has slipped by us. Soon our sophomore year will be over, and we will be juniors. For us it has been a good year, we have accomplished our aim, for we have had fun. There's no holding down the CLASS OF '58.

ACROSS, LEFT TO RIGHT: Jimmy Alderman, De Ann Almand, Shirley Andrews, Pot Baker, Allen Barnwell, David Betz, Gloria Biddy, Larry Blair, Pat Bawden, Barbara Bradburn, Evelyn Brouer, Kenneth Brinkley, Sylvia Brown, Jaree Bullock, Pete Byers, Nancy Carlisle, Charles Causby, Harald Causey, Burt Colt, Dixie Castner, Jim Cauncil, Babby Crisp, Nancy Crumbley, Larry Datsan, Elizabeth Drake, Fred Drake, Jean Drake, Betty Ann Dukes, Tommy Edmundsan, Ann Edwards, Patsy Flanogan, Potsy Freeman, Sammy Galloway, Lynda Garren, Arleigh Grasnick, Sammy Gunter, Mary Haden, Harriet Hommand, Raymond Hansman, Becky Harper.

"Who said Biology wasn't fun?"

Sophomores

ROW 1: Vernon Harvey, Eddie Hawkins, Kay Heaton, Miriam Heaton, Kay Helton, Sylvia Hoinville, Elizabeth Holcombe, Betty Lou Honeycutt.

ROW 2: Hal Hunter, Gordon Huntley, Lynda Hyder, Roger Jackson, June James, Lynda Jones, George Justice, Barbara King.

ROW 3: Leon King, Freddy Ledbetter, Russell Ledbetter, Arvids Leiguds, Leonard Lemons, Jerry Leverett, Sandy Levinson, Suzanne Lindsey.

ROW 4: Kay Lovingood, Kathy Mace, Lynn Martin, Gary Mast, Boyce Maxwell, Howard Mayo, James McCall, John McCall.

ROW 5: Harold McCarson, Mike McCullough, Harold McLaughlin, Marilyn McMinn, Ronny Miller, Sybil Miller, Wayne Morgan, Tamla Motes.

"You don't mean it; who told you?"

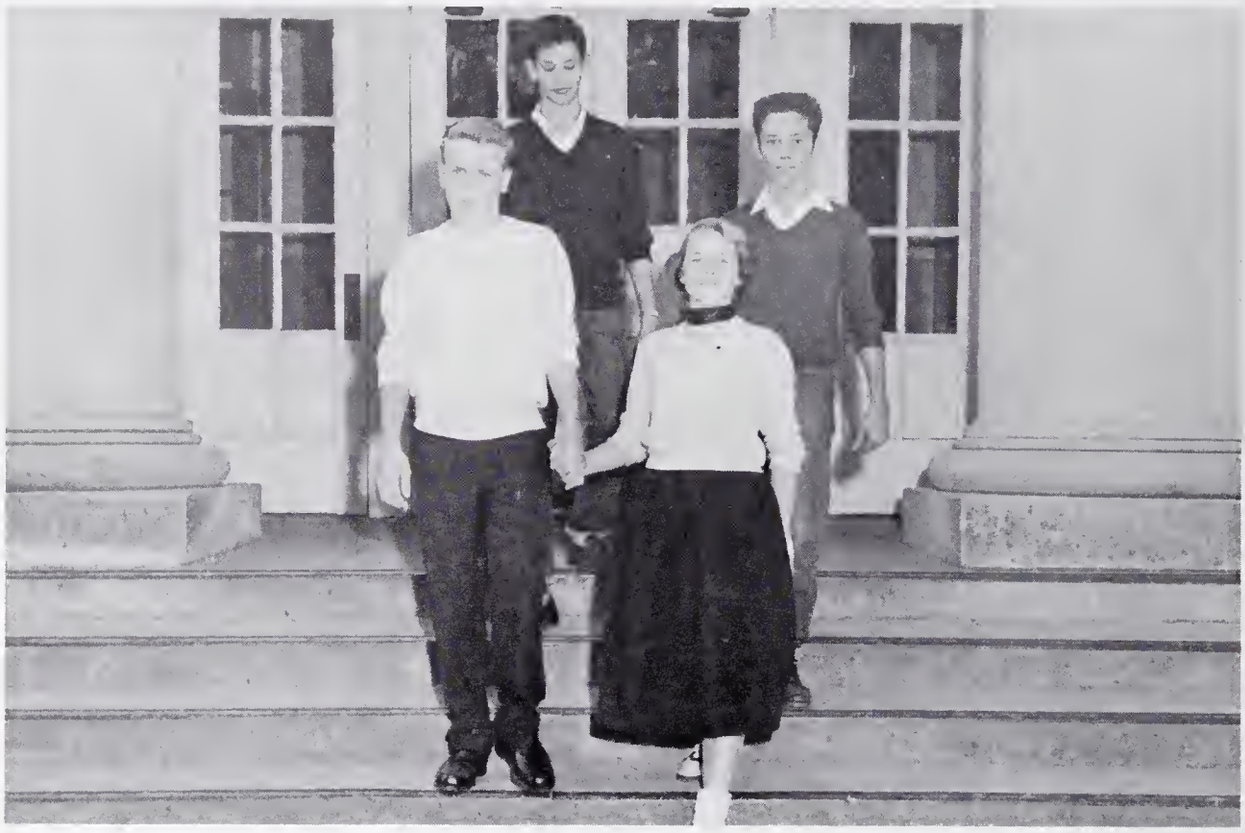
Sophomores

Sophomores

"Hurry, Ronny, or I'll be late."

ACROSS, LEFT TO RIGHT: June Nelson, Rudy Neurohr, Jane Orr, Billy Pace, Joan Pace, Barbara Partin, Betina Peace, Larry Pettet, George Poteet, David Proctor, Max Pullin, Ruth Reed, Janet Reese, Darrell Renfro, Toni Schulman, Harold Seay, Phil Severy, Warren Shepherd, Charles Shipman, Jimmy Shipman, Bonny Shope, Maxine Sims, Priscilla Singleton, James Sparks, Ernest Stahler, Betty Stokes, Barbara Streadwick, Nancy Swaringen, Barbara Todt, Douglas Turner, Virginia Walker, Jake Wallace, Kay Waller, Ruby Watkins, Jerry Whitesides, Peggy Wiggins, Landon Wilde, Ann Wilson, Robert Wilson, Betsy Ann Worsham.

Freshman Class



President—TOM SHEPHERD
Vice president—JACK ALEXANDER
Secretary—MARVIE STOVER
Treasurer—BILLY OSBORNE

After we were graduated from the 8th grade, we began counting the days until September 1, 1955—that long-anticipated day when we would officially become students of Hendersonville High School.

The summer days flashed by with increasing speed, and we became more and more excited. Then . . . the last week of August arrived, and we weren't excited any more—we were scared. How would we like high school, and, more important, how would high school like us?

The big day dawned at last, and we were lost in the flurry of schedules, classes, and new faces that followed. For days we wandered around in a "fog," asking ourselves, "What are we doing here?"

However, the "fog" finally lifted, and we discovered that everything was falling into place. The worst was over, and we were enjoying ourselves.

Almost nine months have passed since we entered H. H. S. as "lost souls." Lost no longer, we are now an important part of the H. H. S. student body. We belong . . . the CLASS OF '59.

ACROSS, LEFT TO RIGHT: Jack Alexander, Helen Allen, Elsa Anders, Jane Arnold, Linda Ballenger, Gail Barber, Lawell Barnette, Therion Bavaro, John Biddy, Mary Helen Boyd, Tammy Boys, Barbara Brevard, Becky Brittain, Lana Brock, Bill Brookshire, Jane Bryant, Babby Byers, Jae Byers, George Cagle, Alda Jean Cantrell, Marian Carswell, Cecilia Chapman, Lean Clements, Amelia Caates, Joyce Collins, Dannis Corn, Shady Corn, Donald Cunningham, Jan Davies, Barbara Fein, Jamie Fincher, Lottie Fartescue, Rannie Gabriel, Pat Galles, Lais Garren, Elaine Gettman, Eddie Gibbs, Crowder Gibson, Miller Goss, Jahn Gove.

Freshmen

"Is my lipstick on straight?"

ROW 1: Tommy Gregory, Novella Greene, Joy Griesmeyer, Billy Gustafson, Ona Henderson, Patsy Henderson, Jessie Hensley, Bob Hilemn, Donna Hollamon, Kathy Hoyle.

ROW 2: Sunny Hudson, Calvert Hunt, Teresa Huntley, Benny Cole Johnson, J. D. Johnson, Delmar Jones, Jannette Jones, Lionel Jones, Verna Jones, Doris Justice.

ROW 3: Phillip Justice, Tom Justice, Clifton Justus, Claire Kalin, Ridley Kessler, Ilena King, Virginia King, Peggy Lou Klick, Marianne La Tourette, Linda Laughter.

ROW 4: Nancy Lemmons, Sally Lemans, Myrna Leslie, Molly Lewis, Ellen McDonald, James McDonough, Daniel McGuinn, David McGuinn, June McMahon, Charles Medd.

AT LEFT: Diane Merritt, Doris Pace, Edward Rogers, Marvie Stover, Annette Moody, Pat Pace, Eloise Rollins, Gus Thomas, Suzanne Moore, Brenda Page, Doris Russman, Jack Trantham.

"Oh, I've heard that one before."

"Roamin' Romans"

Freshmen

ACROSS, LEFT TO RIGHT: Sandy Morse, Martha Nanney, Martha Neill, Billy Nelson, Buddy Nelson, Billy Newman, Carolyn Norwood, Pat Orr, Billy Osborne, Brenda Osteen, Peggy Pardee, Jo Ann Parris, Betty Pastore, Shirley Pless, Sharon Powell, Willa Dean Pressley, Norman Pruitt, William Pursley, Patsy Reece, George Ridenhour, Charles Sellers, Tom Shepherd, Harry Silsby, Linda Silsby, Curtis Skeen, Marjorie Skeen, Pat Sloan, Margaret Stahler, Cliff Staton, Wayne Stepp, Brenda Turner, John Turner, Larry Turner, Marylin Walters, Kay Whitesides, Larry Whitlock, John Whitmire, Fred Williams, Wade Worley, Barbara Worsham.

Caution—Men Working?

Caught in the act.

Spring fever.

Speaking

What? No freshmen?

Candidly

Curriculum

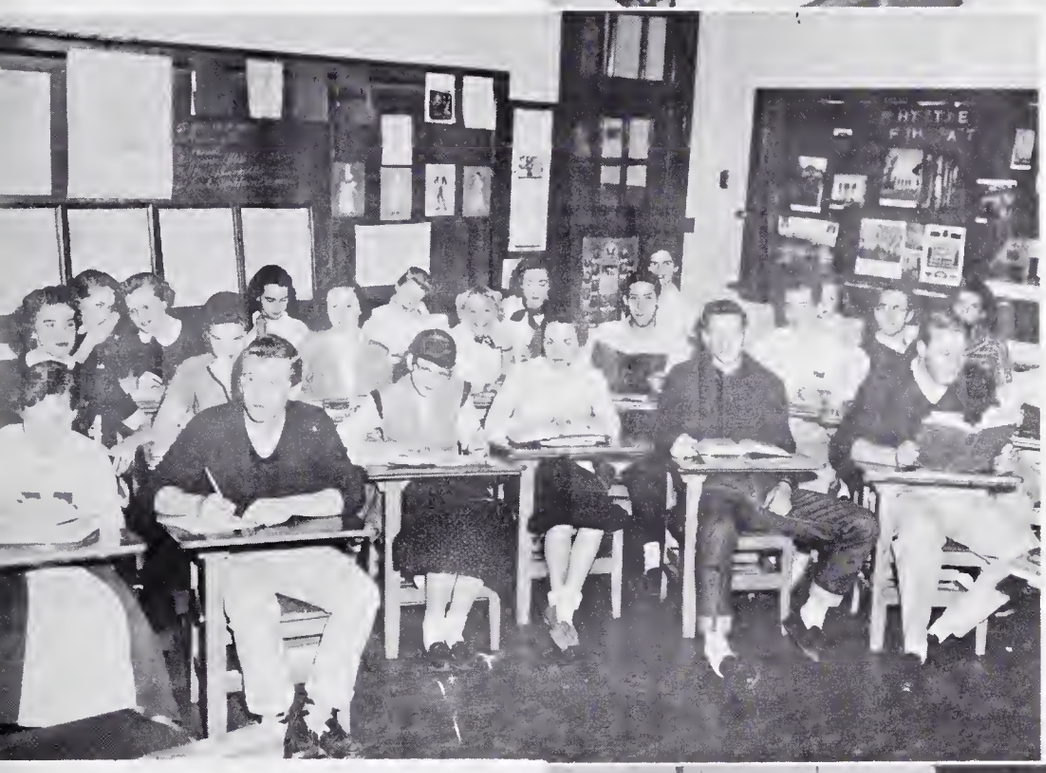
HANDS . . . *that are busily preparing for the future.*

ENGLISH classes provide a better understanding of the language and preparation for college and professional work.

In the PHYSICAL EDUCATION classes students are offered an opportunity to learn teamwork, to develop physical fitness, and to show sportsmanship.

Girls taking HOME ECONOMICS today will profit by becoming better homemakers tomorrow.

TYPING classes afford students the opportunity to learn a skill which will be useful either in private life or in a vocation.



In AMERICAN HISTORY students learn the fundamentals of our American heritage.

PHYSICS students conduct studies and experiments with the phenomena of energy.

SHOP classes give boys a chance to learn a skill which will be important to them when school days have ended.

BIOLOGY students learn "what makes us tick" as they study living organisms.

One of the main objectives of FRENCH II is achieving fluency in the language. Practice in reading in French is also gained.

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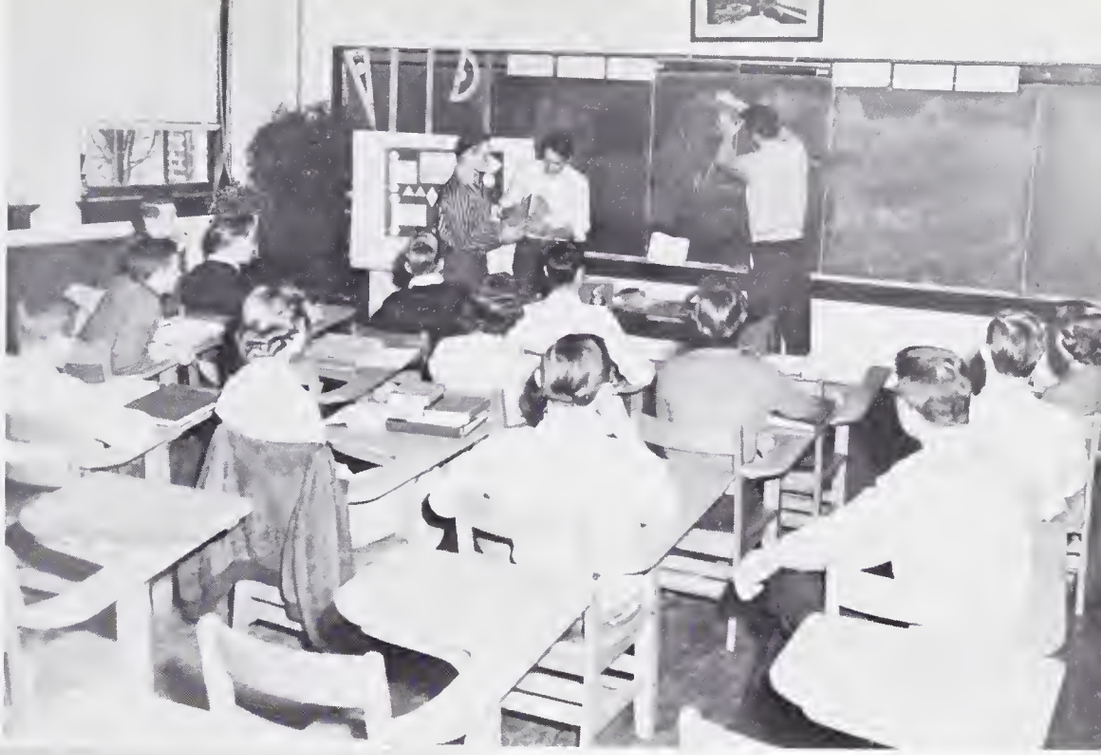
In the SOLID GEOMETRY AND TRIGONOMETRY class, students gain an insight into the higher branches of mathematics.

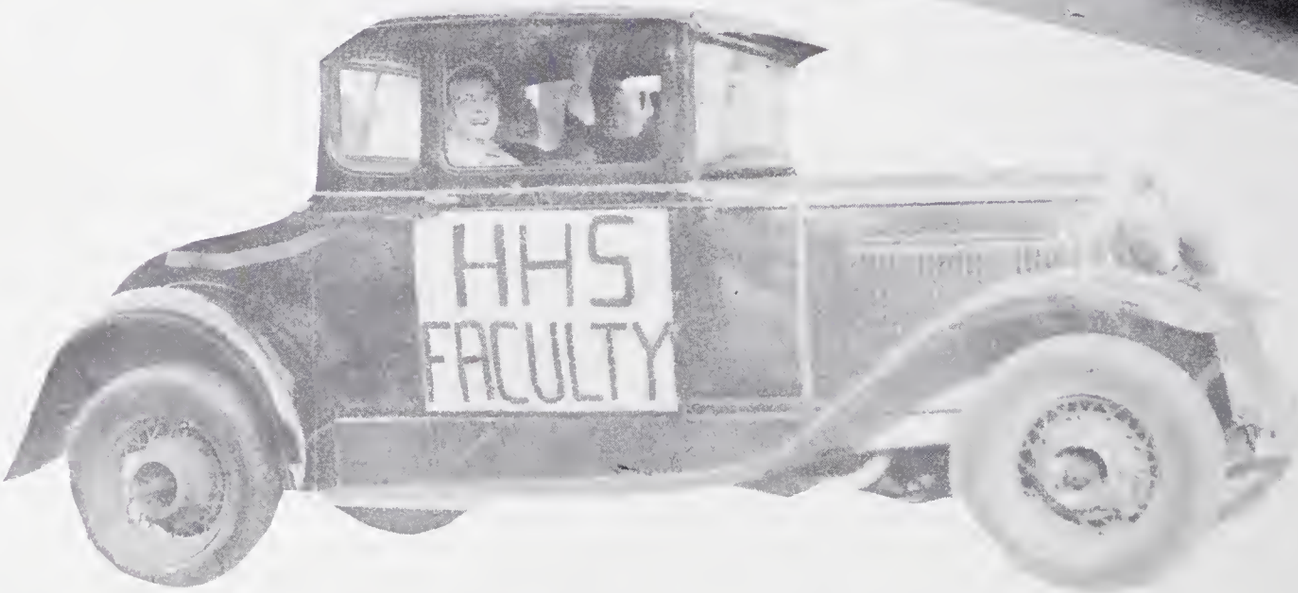


Duties of the OFFICE ASSISTANTS include typing, cutting stencils, running errands, and answering the telephone.

In all of our undertakings, both curricular and extra-curricular, we have always been encouraged and assisted by the faculty. We have been guided by them in our search for knowledge and understanding. They have given us generously their time, their knowledge, and themselves. Because of their interest in us and their friendship toward us, our teachers will be remembered long after school days have ended.

HOMECOMING

QUEEN
CANDIDATES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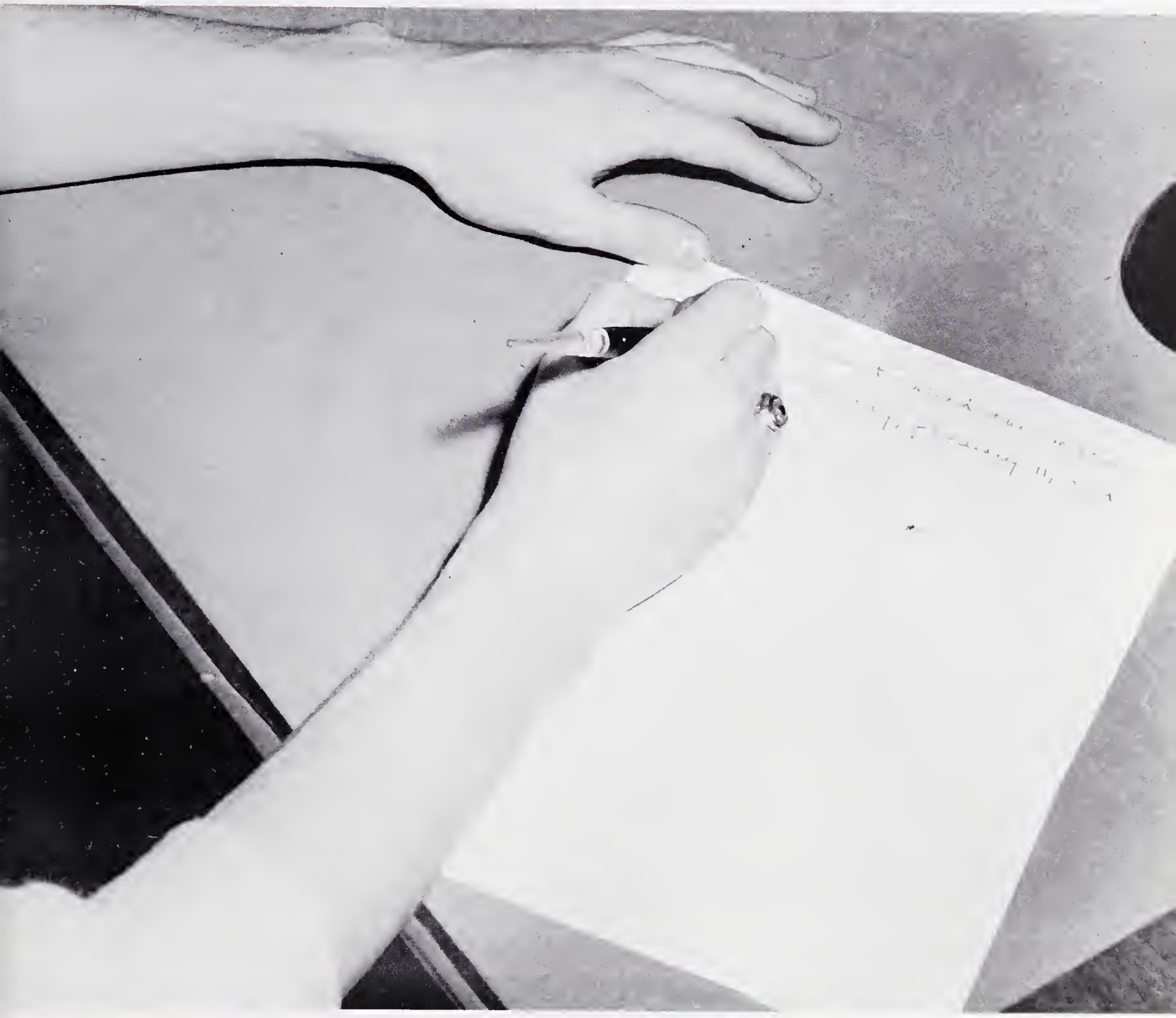


Activities

HANDS . . . *that are busy not only with scholastic work but also with extra-curricular participation.*

TOMMY HILL
President

RACKY SMITH
Vice president

SHARON HOYT
Treasurer

GAIL HYDER
Elections

LARRY LYDA
Citizen-of-the-Month

GIBSON CAMPBELL
Sanitation Department

ROW 1: Donna Hollamon, Diane Merritt, Pat Baker, Betty Lou Honeycutt, Sharon Hoyt, Racky Smith, Jeanette Blair, Jobanna Scott, Jeannie McDonold, Carolyn Jones. ROW 2: Raymond Smith, Gail Hyder, Tommy Orr, Larry Lydo, Betty Orr, Furman Contrell, Barbora Hyder, Tommy Hill, Mrs. Croft, Tommy Boys, Boyce Maxwell, Ronny Miller, Carver Hill, Bobby Byers.

Student Council

BARBARA HYDER

Secretary

MRS. CHRISTINE CROFT

Sponsor

CAROLYN JONES

Fire Department

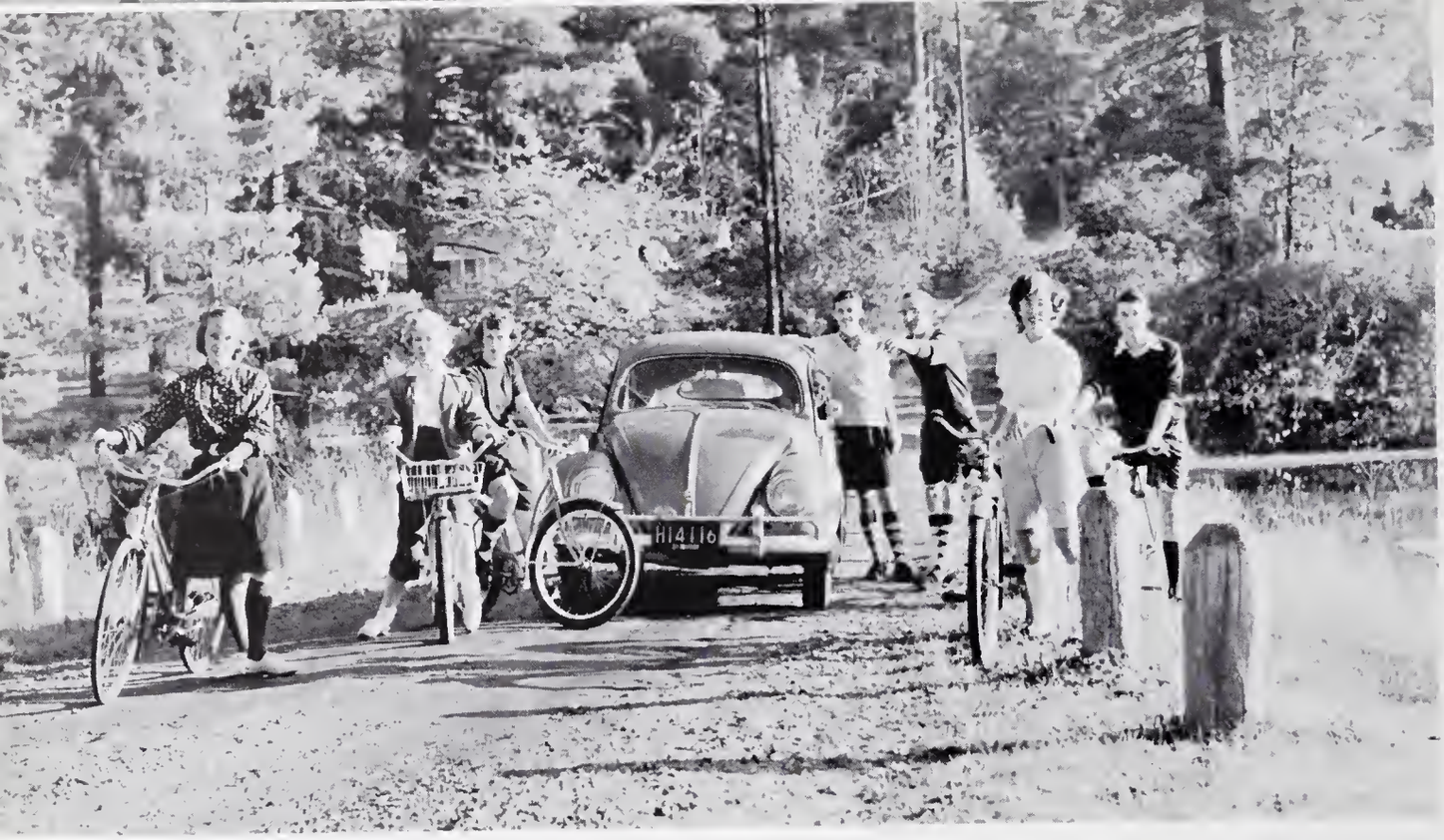
JEANETTE BLAIR

Point Board

Serving in its traditional position as the connecting link between the student body and the administration, the 1955-56 Student Council carried out several projects for the mutual benefit of the school and its students.

Under the leadership of the president, Tommy Hill, this year's Council sponsored Career Day, Orientation Day, and their annual Christmas party; chose the assembly programs; and directed student body elections.

The Hendersonville High School Council consists of 26 members. These 26 include one representative from each homeroom, four officers, department heads, and the sponsor.



Quelle Direction A Paris?

Cornelia Lindsey
Gloria Floyd
Mary Ann Brown
Fred Roper
Lowell Gettman
Barbara Todt
Larry Lyda

Mrs. Mary L. Fain
Sponsor

French Club

Every other Monday during 3rd period, room 206 has gone on a guided tour of France with Madame Fain as conductor. These tours—none other than the FRENCH CLUB meetings—have been filled with excitement, culture, and food.

The group has been capably led through the 1955-56 school year by le president, Lowell Gettman; le vice president, Cornelia Lindsey; la secretaire, Gloria Floyd; et le tresorier, Fred Roper.

"Down Mexico Way"

Latin Club

Betsy Ann Worsham
Mack Bryant
Lynda Garren
Nancy Reep
Donnie Elmore
Bert Colt
Paul Bowers
Sylvia Brown
Virginia Walker
Barbara Streadwick
Maxine Sims
Ann Edwards
Gary Westall

Mrs. Betty Price
Sponsor

Veni, Vidi, Vice

Latin, considered by some to be a "dead" language, is livened up each year by a banquet.

At the LATIN CLUB meetings, you get just as close to ancient Rome as is possible on the H. H. S. campus. There's loads of fun and fellowship; parts of it even in Latin, too.

Spanish Club

T. D. Hunter
Racky Smith
Carver Hill
Tommy Orr
Bobby Cornman
Nick Strange
Helen Shipman
Catherine Wyman
Toni Schulman
Mary Alice Fetner
Barbara Harris
Vivian Hill
Anne Hardin
Kay Waller
Patsy Flanagan
Jeannie McDonald
Janice Dellinger
Brenda Mast
Janet Jackson
Helen Smyth
Mike Sinclair

Mrs. Rebecca Yglesias

Sponsor

"Hi, what's the rush?"

I want to be on time for the SPANISH CLUB meeting. Today Mrs. Yglesias is going to teach us Christmas carols in Spanish."

You have just heard some students who work with the Spanish tongue and have "mucho" fun while doing it. Under the leadership of Mrs. Rebecca Yglesias, these students get the genuine thrill of mastering the Spanish way.

Chorus

Band Council

Becky Harper
Pete Byers
Earl Barnett
Jerry Maney
Donald Dills
Gary Westall
Nancy Reep

DRUM MAJOR

Earl Barnett

MAJORETTES

Jannette Jones
Marie Andrews
Jean Hunt
Doris Justice
Brenda Hendrix

Music Department

The Hendersonville High School Band provides the music "When the 'Cats Go Marching In." It is on hand at every football game to assure the team, in a musical way, that the students are behind them 100 per cent.

The music department participates in the spring music contests and presents concerts to the H. H. S. student body, other schools, and community groups.

All-State Band

EARL H. MARTIN, *Director*

Hendersonville High School Band

"The Way To A Man's Heart . . ."

Future Homemakers Of America

Sharon Hoyt
Frances Barton
Sarah Cantrell
Betty Jane Waters
Norma Morgan
Happy Lentz
Ruthmarie Combs
Barbara Hyder
Elizabeth Holcombe
Janet McMurray
Ann Snyder
Martha Rose Hart
Virginia Thompson
Joe Ann Marchion
Susan Price

Miss Charlotte Turner
Sponsor

Of course, these smart girls know that there's more to the art of keeping house than having the entrees ready when the bread gets done! You've already figured it out, but to make sure you understand, these are the FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA.

Lucky guys!

Bible Club

Creating aims and ideals for a group that maintains a loyal and highly regarded purpose and extending service to school and community were the combined efforts of the ambitious students.

Sue Davis
Susan Price
Margaret Evans
Dixie Taylor
Sarah Cantrell
Betty Jane Waters
Mary Helen Poteet

Mrs. Marie Shipp
Sponsor

Future Farmers Of America

Fred Drake
Curtis Skeen
Tommy Brittain
Bill Chapman
Darrell Renfro
Norman Pruitt
Harold Seay
Herman Cantrell
Bill Pace
Earl Pettet
John McCall
Clyde Staton
Johnny Laughter
Eddie Hawkins
Kenneth Waters
Jimmy Neill
Nelson Norwood
Tommy Edmundson
Doug Turner
Billy Newman
Clifton Justice

Ralph Wiggins
Sponsor

"Make Hay While The Sun Shines . . ."

Farmers are the backbone of the great nation in which we so luxuriously live. What would the city people do without the farmers? Not many of those "city folks" would survive on the meager gardens they have in the warm months of the year. However, it would be just as bad if we had farmers who knew nothing about crop rotation and other modern methods of farming.

To prevent a situation like this, schools have set up classes and clubs to help the farmer improve his crops. Such a club in H. H. S. is the FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA.

Religion in Action

Dramatics Club

The purpose of the Dramatics Club is to give to its members the chance to express themselves. Members are selected from candidates who participate in the annual fall "try-outs." Experience and instruction are available in acting, make-up, costuming, and stage-setting.

One important activity of the club this year was the December presentation of a three-act mystery-comedy, "Dead of the Night."

Fulfilling "leading roles" for the club have been President Judy Hudgens, Vice president Becky Johnson, Secretary Carolyn Jones, Treasurer Joyce Mehaffey, and Adviser Mrs. Lucille Allen.

ADVISORY COUNCIL

OLD MEMBERS—*Row 1:* Ina Royall, Virginia Thompson, Becky Harper, Mrs. Allen, Carol Ann Brown, Jobanna Scott, Fred Roper. *Row 2:* Ronnie Maloney, Larry Lyda, Bobby Cornman, Mary Ann Brown, Judy Hudgens, Becky Johnson, Carolyn Jones, Joyce Mehaffey, Patsy Gray, Martha Rose Hart, Mary Ellen Hammond, Thad Pace, Racky Smith, Tommy Orr.

NEW MEMBERS—*Row 1:* Becky Brittain, Harold McCarson, Patsy Henderson, Molly Lewis, Charles Medd, Leon Clements, Tom Justice, Tamla Motes, Lani Graves, Donna Hollaman, Alda Jean Cantrell, Claire Kalin. *Row 2:* Marianne La Tourette, Rose Pastore, Cornelia Lindsay, Harriett Hammond, Kathy Hoyle, Nancy Carlisle, Ellen McDonald, Sylvia Brown, Gail Barber, Carol Severy, Jane Arnold, Miller Goss, Phil Severy, Catherine Wyman, Landon Wilde, Doris Russman, John Gove, Toni Schulman, Betty Pastore, Pat Orr, Arleigh Grasnick, Patsy Reese, Evelyn Brauer, Marie Rathburn, Elizabeth Holcombe, Mary Helen Poteet.

Valentine Chapter National Honor Society

MARY ANN BROWN
President

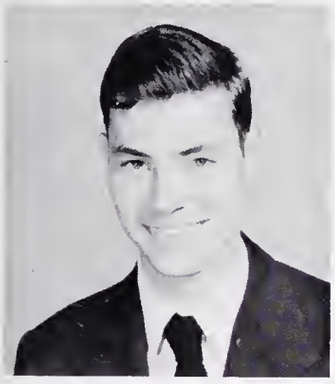
MRS. ELIZABETH PRICE
Sponsor

JERRY JUSTUS
Vice president

JUNIOR MEMBERS

TOMMY ORR
JUDY HUDGENS
LOWELL GETTMAN
ALICE BECKHAM

JOBANNA SCOTT
Secretary



TOMMY HILL
Recorder

FRED ROPER
Treasurer

Membership in the National Honor Society is limited to those students who are considered by the faculty to possess outstanding character, scholarship, leadership, and service.

Important projects of the Valentine Chapter are selling tickets at ball games, awarding the scholarship cup each six-weeks grading period, and honoring the upper twenty-five per cent of the sophomore class with a tea.

SENIOR MEMBERS

JEANETTE BLAIR
MARTHA ROSE HART
FRANCES BARTON
BARBARA HYDER
LORRAINE BARNETTE
CAROLYN JONES
MARY ANN BROWN
TOMMY HILL
JERRY JUSTUS
FRED ROPER
DONNIE HEILIG
JOBANNA SCOTT
JEANNIE McDONALD

The Chosen Leaders

Key Club

Gibson Campbell
Raymond Smith
Mack Bryant
Furman Cantrell
Hal Hunter
Tommy Hill
Robert Elliott
Tommy Orr
Fred Roper
Herman Cantrell
Bill Puette
Bud Hunter
Racky Smith
Parker Lyda
Stamey Brooks
Sponsor

The KEY CLUB, primarily a service organization, is sponsored by, but not a part of, the local Kiwanis club. Senior, junior, and sophomore boys who possess good character and leadership ability are eligible for membership.

As one of its outstanding projects, the club sponsored the annual Thanksgiving drive to collect food for needy families.

"Quiet, please!"

Camera Club

Patsy Henderson
Marianne LaTourette
Elaine Gettman
Barbara Brevard
Myrna Leslie
Tamla Motes
Amelia Coates
Jannette Jones
Donald Dills
Marian Carswell
Butch Kessler
Ernest Stahler
Tommy Boys
Maxine Sims
Pat Baker
Cecilia Chapman
Lana Brock
Lottie Forescue
Pat Pace
Claire Kalin
Sandy Levinson
Betty Ann Dukes
Becky Harper

Mrs. Cecil Kessler
Sponsor

"Hold that Pose!"

The purpose of the CAMERA CLUB is to develop good photographers. During club meetings, students gain much useful knowledge about photography from programs presented by guest speakers and club members.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Cecil Kessler, the club has furnished a complete darkroom to be used in its study of photography.

Checking out books and magazines, taking attendance count, mending and shelving books, writing overdue notices, and filing cards are the many helpful tasks performed by members of the LIBRARY CLUB.

Each member of the club works in the library for one period every day and receives one-half credit toward graduation.

The club is under the guidance of Mrs. Cecil Kessler, librarian.

Library Club

Jobanna Scott
Shelley Fein
Frances Barton
Brenda Mast
Janice Dellinger
Mary Ann Brown
Happy Lentz
Carolyn Jones
Jeannie McDonald
Carol Severy
Ann Staton
Ann Snyder
Joan Ellison
Betty Jane Waters
Sarah Cantrell
Barbara Hyder
Peggy Robertson
Doug Jones
Patsy Gray
Lorraine Barnette
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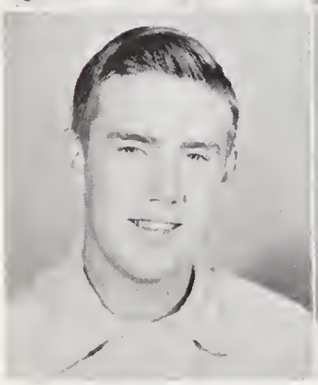

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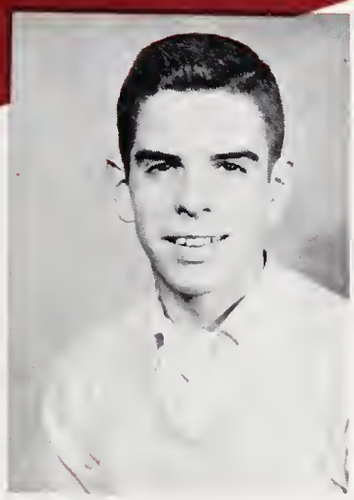

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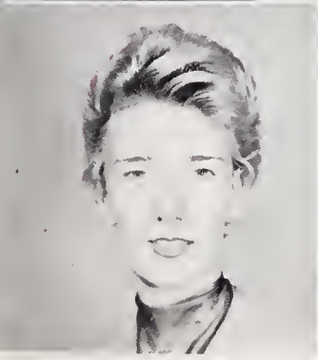

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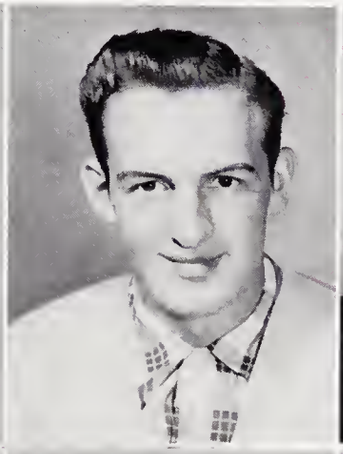

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"A Man Chases a Girl Until . . ."

This is research???

Senior

Drop that grade book,
we've got you covered!
Dum de dum dum.

Fire drill's over, girls.

At Ease

Athletics

HANDS . . . *that work together, practicing good sportsmanship.*

COACH BOB TATE

Athletic Director

Head Football and Basketball Coach

COACH HAROLD CLINE

Head Baseball Coach

"BUD" HUNTER

Senior

Captain

6 ft. 5 in.; 210 lbs.

ALL STATE

JIM BRINKLEY

Senior

Co-captain

6 ft.; 185 lbs.

ALL SCHOLASTIC

DON HEILIG

Senior

Co-captain

5 ft. 9 in.; 165 lbs.

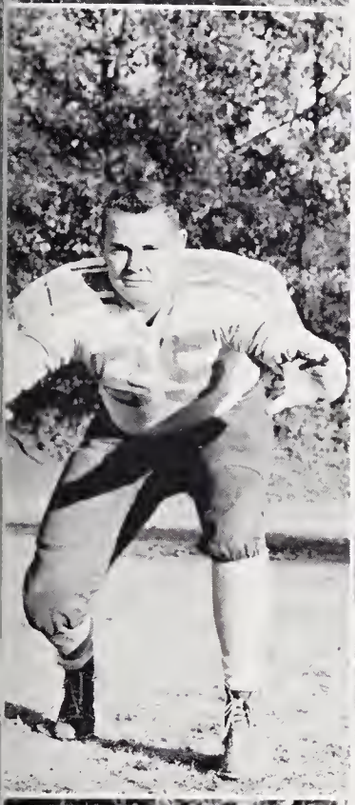
Mention, ALL SOUTHERI

BOB ELLIOTT
Junior
Fullback
6 ft., 1 in.; 205 lbs.
ALL SCHOLASTIC

PARKER LYDA
Junior
Guard
5 ft., 10 in.; 190 lbs.
ALL SCHOLASTIC

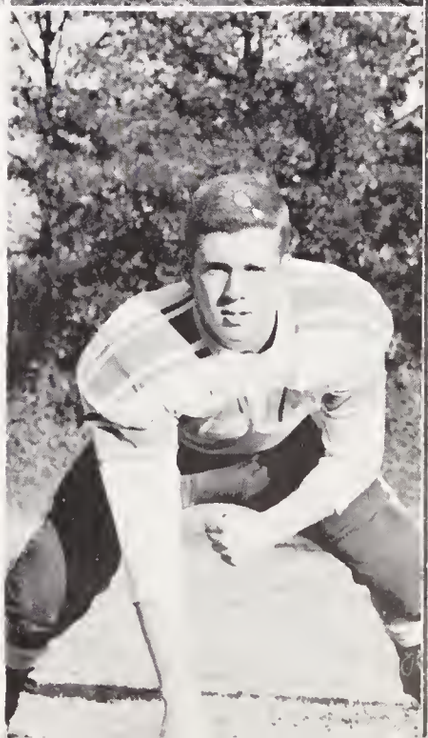
BILL DAVIS
Senior
Tackle
6 ft, 3 in.; 235 lbs.

RAYMOND SMITH
Senior
End
5 ft., 10 in.; 165 lbs.



CLARENCE JOHNSON
Junior
Center
5 ft., 11 in.; 175 lbs.

DOYLE MINTZ
Junior
Halfback
5 ft., 11 in.; 165 lbs.



CHARLES WORSHAM
Junior
Tackle
6 ft.; 210 lbs.

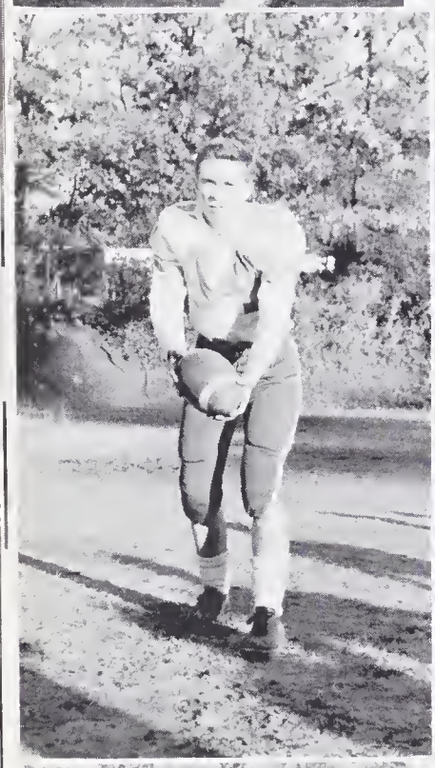
GIBSON CAMPBELL
Junior
Guard
5 ft., 9 in.; 170 lbs.

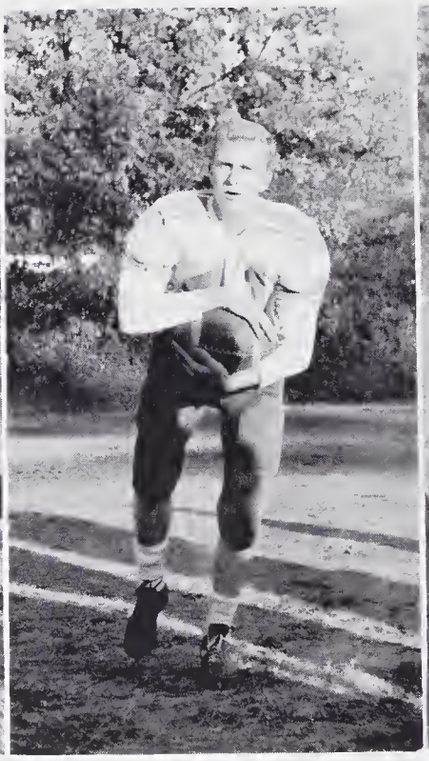
HAL HUNTER
Sophomore
End
6 ft., 3 in.; 190 lbs.

FURMAN CANTRELL
Senior
Guard
6 ft.; 190 lbs.

DOUG JONES
Senior
Halfback
5 ft., 11 in.; 165 lbs.

JAMES McCALL
Junior
End
6 ft., 1 in.; 175 lbs.





GEORGE "YOGI" POTEET
Sophomore
Quarterback
5 ft., 8 in.; 150 lbs.

JESSE COBB
Senior
Fullback
5 ft., 11 in.; 165 lbs.

CHARLES SPROLES
Junior
Halfback
5 ft., 10 in.; 175 lbs.

NICK STRANGE
Senior
Center
6 ft., 1 in.; 190 lbs.

HERMAN CANTRELL
Senior
Guard
5 ft., 11 in.; 190 lbs.

Managers
BOB DIXON and
LARRY TURNER

JERRY LEVERETTE
Sophomore
Tackle
6 ft.; 185 lbs.

This was the year the Bearcats came through with the second straight Blue Ridge championship . . . The team rolled over Andrews, Smoky Mountain Conference champions, 45-13, to become Region IV champs and gained momentum in their race to compete in the state finals . . . With their victory over Harding High, of Charlotte, the Bearcats were crowned champions of the Western District . . . They won a berth in the North Carolina AA Football Championship Playoffs, but the Kinston Red Devils edged out the Bearcats with a TD in the last three minutes of play.

HENDERSONVILLE	33	OWEN	0
HENDERSONVILLE	19	ENKA	13
HENDERSONVILLE	39	BREVARD	0
HENDERSONVILLE	0	GREER	19
HENDERSONVILLE	26	BETHEL	0
HENDERSONVILLE	12	WAYNESVILLE	6
HENDERSONVILLE	38	CHRIST SCHOOL	6
HENDERSONVILLE	34	CANTON	18
HENDERSONVILLE	52	REYNOLDS	19
HENDERSONVILLE	28	RUTHERFORDTON-SPINDALE	0
HENDERSONVILLE	45	ANDREWS	13
HENDERSONVILLE	44	CHARLOTTE HARDING	6
HENDERSONVILLE	6	KINSTON	12
Totals	376	Totals	112

After gloriously opening their 1955 gridiron season with a 33-0 roust of Owen High, the Bearcats next downed Enka High 19-13 . . . Then with a 39-0 victory over an arch-rival—Brevard—last year's loss was avenged . . . Team spirit and enthusiasm grew by leaps and bounds . . . When the 'Cats met a non-conference foe, Greer, S. C., they received their only taste of defeat in regular season play . . .

The team was back on the road to victory again when Bethel was trounced . . . Another link in the chain leading to the Blue Ridge Conference Championship was forged when the 'Cats met another rival—Waynesville. It was a cold, wet night, but the team came through again. Bearcat Captain T. D. Hunter tallied for the 'Cats in the opening minutes of the fourth quarter for the touchdown that gave them their 12-6 victory.

Christ School was whipped by a wide margin . . . With the 34-18 win over Canton's Black Bears the Bearcats virtually clinched the conference crown . . . The last conference game was played against Reynolds October 29, 1955 . . . With a non-conference victory November 4 over Rutherfordton-Spindale the 'Cats ended their regular season of play.

BEARCAT VARSITY

Row 1: Mack Bryant, Gary Mast, Raymond Hansman, Howard Mayo, Yogi Poteet, Fred Drake, Larry Blair, Kenneth Brinkley, Jim Council, David Betz, Junior Sproles. *Row 2:* James McCall, Dick Starnes, David Proctor, Wendell Rogers, Raymond Smith, Doug Jones, Don Heilig, Doug Turner, Doyle Mintz, Michael Morgan, Tommy Edmundson, Clarence Johnson. *Row 3:* Coach Cline, Jerry Leverette, Furman Cantrell, Nick Strange, Ronny Miller, Jim Brinkley, Hal Hunter, T. D. Hunter, Johnny Toomer, Bill Davis, Bob Elliott, John Laughter, Herman Cantrell, Charles Worsham, Coach Tate.

FIRST STRING

Row 1: Clarence Johnson, Doyle Mintz, Douglas Jones, Michael Morgan, Don Heilig, Raymond Smith. *Row 2:* Nick Strange, Jim Brinkley, Bud Hunter, Bob Elliott, Charles Worsham.

Bearkittens

Row 1: Elizabeth Holcombe, Tamla Motes, Jane Maxwell, Jane Bryant, Delois Williams, Marvie Stover, Kathleen Jones. *Row 2:* Mary Bell Johnson, Mary Gray Haden, Pat Sloan, Frances McGraw, June James. *Row 3:* Joe Ann Marchion, Manager; Alda Jean Cantrell, Sharon Powell, Alline Ledbetter, Sybil Miller, Jane Brown, Joan Pace, Miss Geraldine Hensley, Coach.

Co-*Captain,* Delois Williams; Miss Geraldine Hensley, *Coach;* and Co-*Captain,* Alline Ledbetter.

FIRST TEAM

Sharon Powell, Kathleen Jones, Jane Maxwell, Jane Brown, Delois Williams, Alline Ledbetter.

Bearcats

Row 1: Don Heilig, Doug Jones, Yogi Poteet, Doyle Mintz, Mike Sinclair.

Row 2: Clarence Johnson, Hal Hunter, Bud Hunter, Sam Galloway, Bill Davis.

BUD HUNTER, *Co-captain*
BOB TATE, *Coach*
DON HEILIG, *Co-captain*

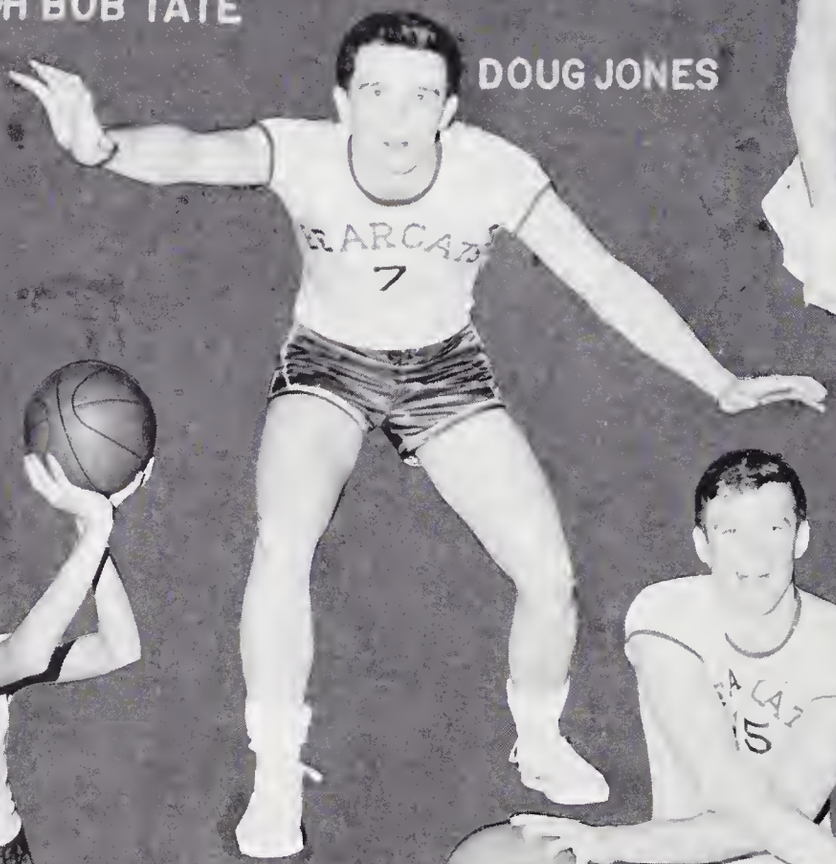
STARTERS

Don Heilig, Yogi Poteet, Doug Jones, Doyle Mintz, Bill Davis, Sam Galloway, Bud Hunter.

COACH BOB TATE

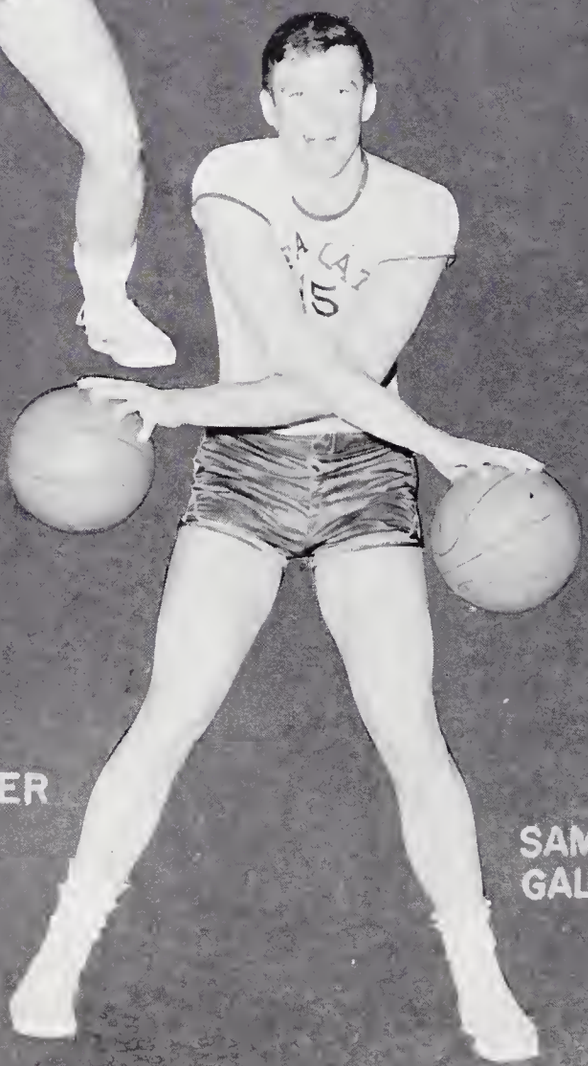
YOGI PROTEET

HAL HUNTER



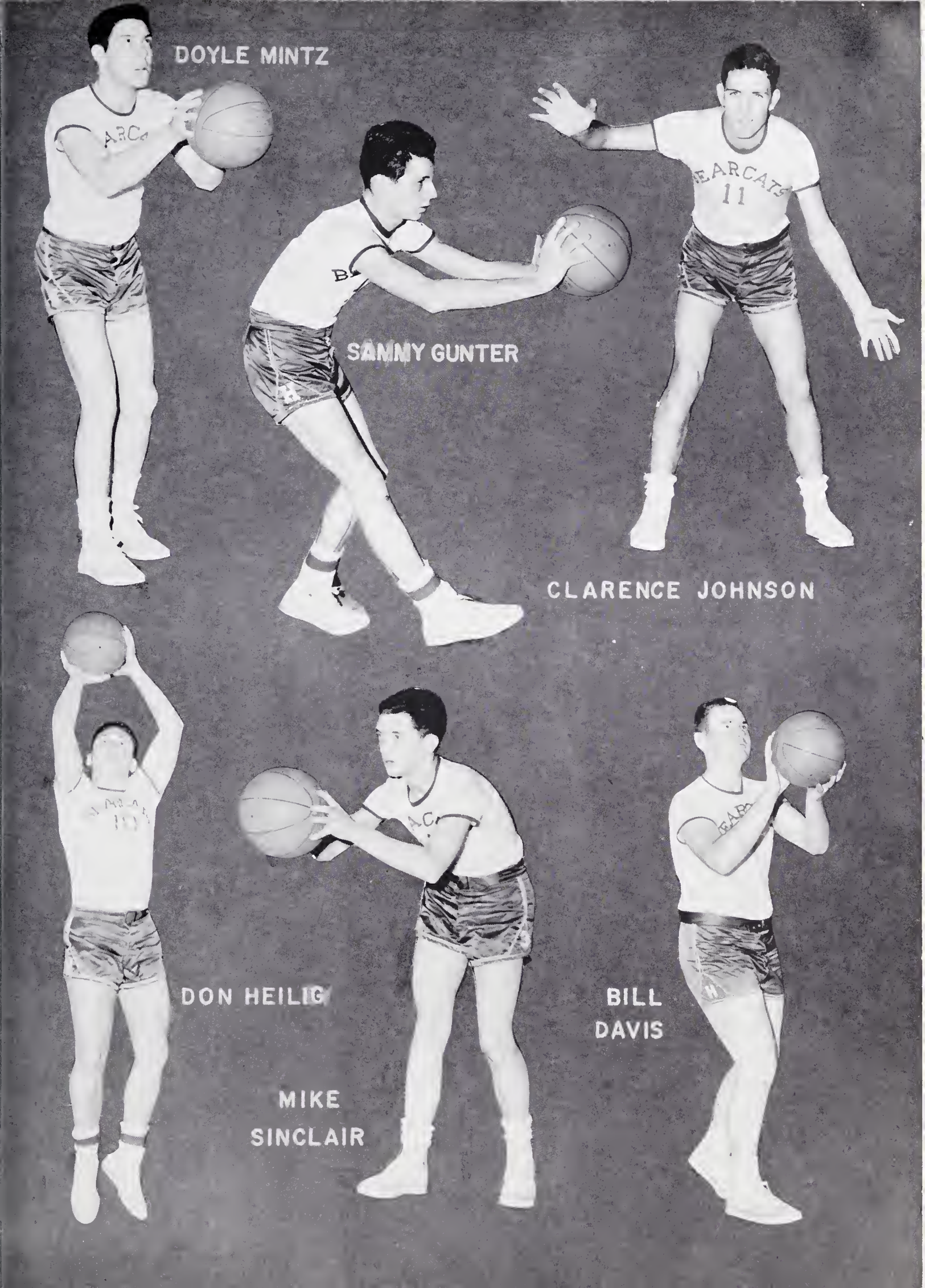
DOUG JONES

DICK STARNES



BUD HUNTER

SAM GALLOWAY


DOYLE MINTZ
SAMMY GUNTER
CLARENCE JOHNSON
DON HEILIG
MIKE SINCLAIR
BILL DAVIS

Hardly had the cries of the football fans died from the field than a band of determined young men took to the hardwood to start the basketball season. The team was four weeks late in starting practice due to football championship playoffs.

Winding up regular season play with a record of seven wins and four losses, the 'Cats held the best record of any team entered in the Blue Ridge Conference Tournament. After reaching the tournament finals, they were downed by Canton.

Manager, TOM BRITTAIN

The Bearcats overwhelmed Sylva, 72-56, in the opening round of the District IV Class AA playoffs and downed Swain High, 62-58, in the semi-finals. After defeating Canton, 71-67, in the finals, the Bearcats won the right to represent District IV in the State AA Tourney.

In the first round of the state finals, the 'Cats were edged out by Sanford, but they fought on to win the Consolation Crown and fifth place in the tournament.

"B" TEAM

Row 1: Miller Goss, Tom Shepherd, Jake Wallace, Ronny Miller, Bobby Crisp, Bill Pace.

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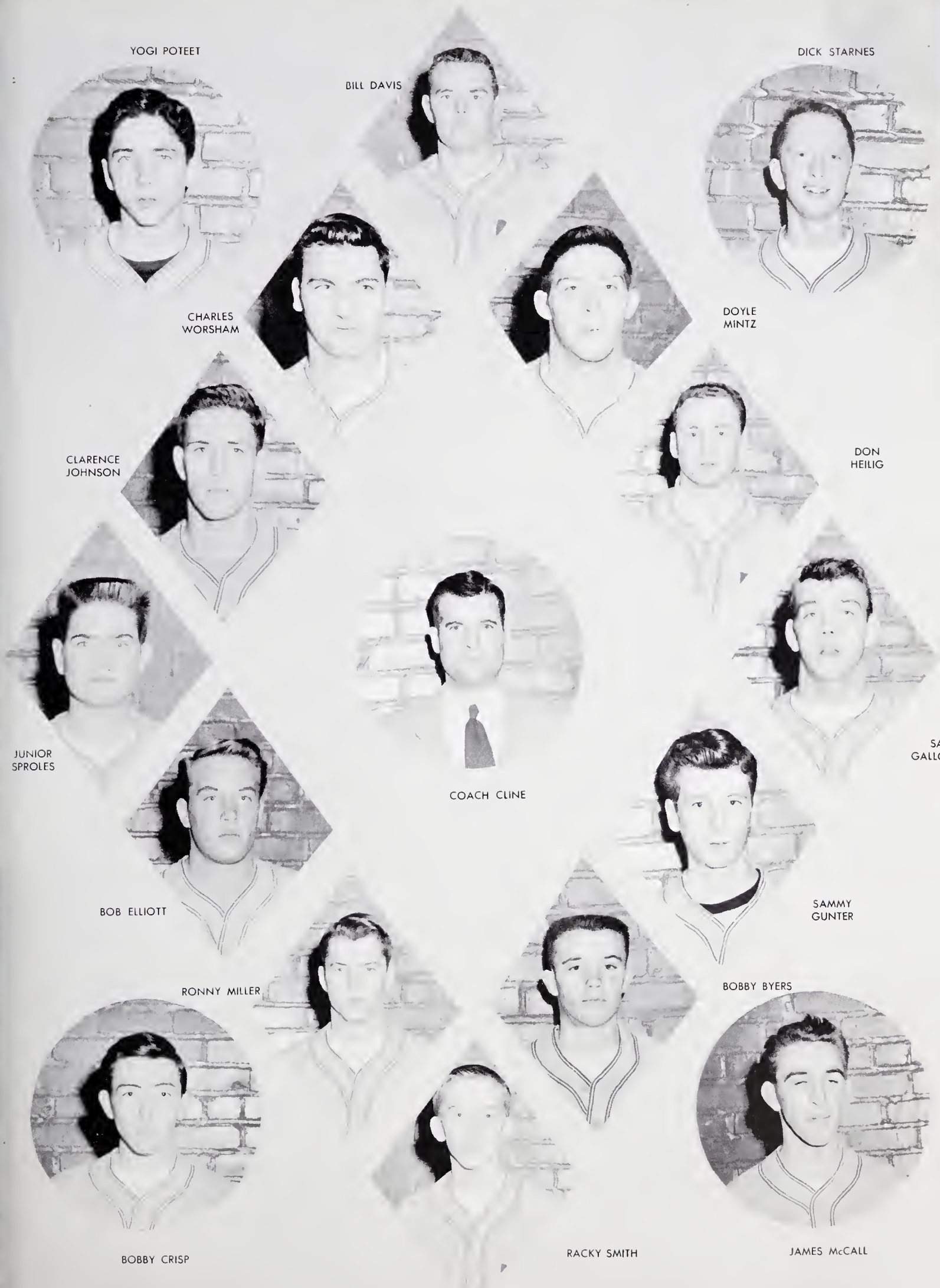
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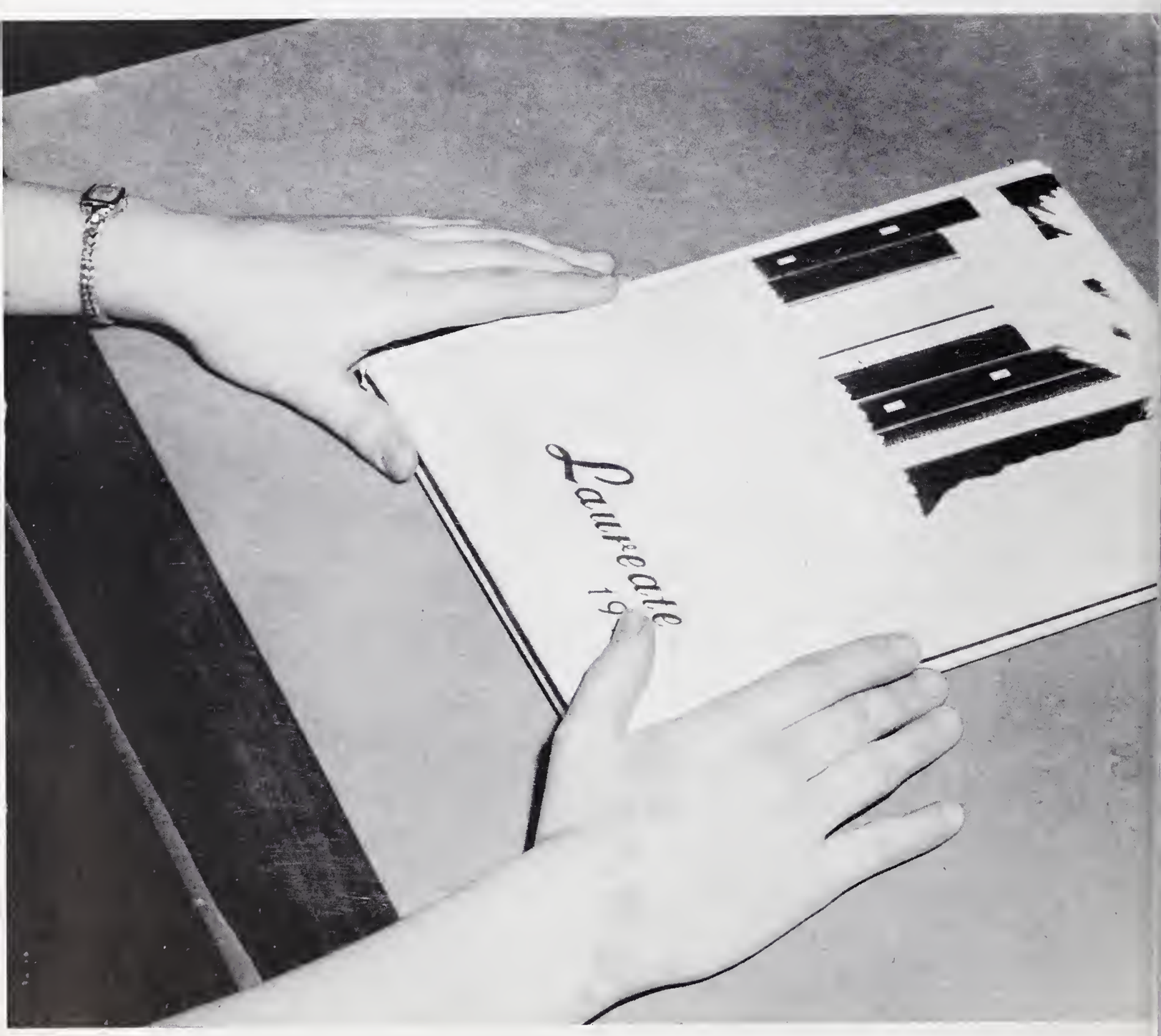

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